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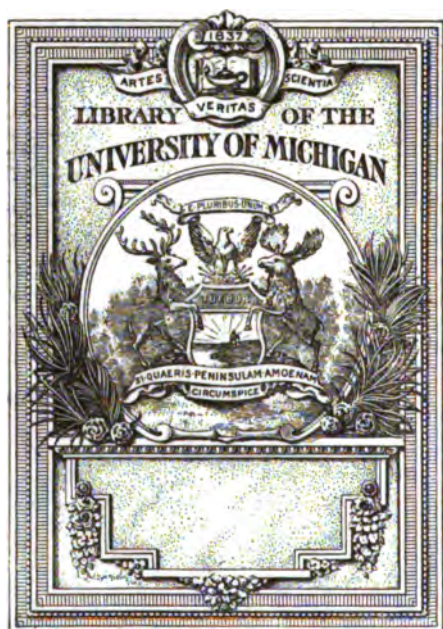
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JOURNAL.

The one hundred and ninth General Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts convened at the State House in Boston on the first Wednesday in January, being the fourth day thereof, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and eighty-eight, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and twelfth. And the members-elect of the House of Representatives, having assembled in the Representatives' Chamber, were called to order at eleven o'clock A. M. by Mr. Upham of Waltham, the senior member-elect present.

Preliminary organization.

By request of the presiding officer, prayer was offered by the Rev. Samuel L. Gracey of Salem, a member-elect.

On motion of Mr. Hall of Taunton, —

Ordered. That a committee of eight be appointed to inform the Secretary of the Commonwealth that the House has been called to order.

Secretary informed that the House has been called to order.

Messrs. Hall of Taunton, McDonough of Boston, Jaques of Haverhill, Haggerty of Southbridge, Woodward of Wakefield, Provin of Westfield, Sanger of Cambridge and Finney of Plymouth were appointed the committee.

Thereupon, the Secretary transmitted to the House a list of all the persons returned as representatives, with the original certificates of their election, which had been returned to his office.

On motion of Mr. Hill of Spencer, —

Ordered. That the Clerk call the roll of the House, to ascertain if a quorum be present.

Roll called.

The roll was called ; and, two hundred and twenty-nine members having answered to their names, the Chair declared a quorum present.

On motion of Mr. Adams of Lowell, —

Governor notified that quorum of the House is present.

Ordered, That a committee of eight be appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Governor, and inform him that a quorum of the House is assembled, and that the members are ready to be qualified.

Messrs. Adams of Lowell, Bottum of Northampton, Quincy of Quincy, Mellen of Worcester, Walworth of Newton, Kearn of North Adams, Trull of Tewksbury and Keane of Holyoke were appointed the committee.

Qualification of members.

Soon afterwards His Excellency the Governor, with the Council and the Secretary of the Commonwealth, came in, and the oaths and affirmations required by the Constitution and the laws were administered by His Excellency to the members present, and subscribed by them ; after which the Governor, the Council, and the Secretary withdrew.

Notice of organization of Senate.

A message was received from the Senate announcing that that branch had been organized by the election of Halsey J. Boardman of Suffolk as President, and E. Herbert Clapp of Boston as Clerk.

On motion of Mr. Wadlin of Reading, —

Speaker elected.

Ordered, That a committee of six be appointed to receive, sort and count the votes for Speaker.

Messrs. Wadlin of Reading, McEttrick of Boston, Ware of Boston, Brady of Lowell, Wardwell of Haverhill and Wyman of Hyde Park were appointed the committee.

Mr. Wadlin, from the committee, afterwards reported as follows : —

Whole number of votes,	.	.	.	.	.	.	234
Necessary for a choice,	.	.	.	.	.	.	118
Charles J. Noyes of Boston had	.	.	.	.	.	.	234

And Mr. Noyes having been unanimously elected, declaration was made accordingly, and the Speaker was conducted to the chair by a committee consisting of Messrs. Wharton of Boston and James Donovan of Boston, and spoke as follows : —

Fellow-Representatives :

For this emphatic expression of your confidence and esteem I sincerely thank you. Coming to this chair for the fifth time, I fully appreciate the high honor conferred and the difficult and delicate duties imposed, and I am none the less aware that no ability nor experience can reach the greatest measure of success in its administration without your cordial assistance and support. But I rejoice to believe that the emphatic and complimentary vote you have just given justifies the anticipation that that happy spirit of harmony is to prevail, and I assure you that the Chair will do nothing intentionally to suffer it to be disturbed.

We meet here to-day for the first time, many of us personally strangers to each other. We have come from many paths and pursuits in life, from widely diversified occupations and experiences, so to mingle and weld our individual opinions as that they shall crystalize into the legislation we enact to promote the highest welfare of this ancient and honored Commonwealth. I trust we shall have a successful session. It remains for us to determine. Only by promptness, punctuality, diligence and a faithful subordination to other duties elsewhere to the work here can we accomplish that result. Our duty is here. Our presence is required in this place. The interests we have in charge are vast, varied and important. We come here charged with a great responsibility and a solemn trust. The duties we have to do cannot be neglected at our hands. Those whom we represent have the right to require of us the best service it is possible for us to render. No man is worthy of a seat in a legislative hall who comes to the service indifferent to the obligation that rests upon him. The Chair will endeavor to do its part in the work.

I also hope for us an early termination of our labors. Only by attendance upon the work here and in the committee rooms can that possibly be done. Of recent years there has grown up the somewhat pernicious custom of assigning members to appointment upon more than one important and hard-worked committee. There is nothing, it seems to me from my experience, that so tends to lengthen out the session and prolong our work as this inability of members properly to discharge the onerous

duties they have thus imposed. There is a law that is even above legislative control that a man cannot be in two places at one and the same time. It is this appointment upon places that cannot be filled which requires absence from one committee or the other that are sitting simultaneously, and thus destroys the attendance of a quorum, postpones engagements and lengthens the session. It also destroys the efficiency of the member for an intelligent understanding of the subjects presented and mars his efficiency as a public officer. The Chair will endeavor as far as possible to obviate this difficulty.

This is no idle or holiday occupation. It is a sacred and solemn trust committed to our hands, for which we are, and should be, held responsible. Thus feeling, thus entering upon the duties of this year, let us with one accord, in harmony and good fellowship, lifting ourselves above selfish ends and partisan prejudice, attempt to do for this old Commonwealth the work it would have come from our hands; so shall we make a record that shall add new lustre to this ancient State, and a record that shall be a glory to us when the sound of our voices shall be no longer heard here, and we shall have become of those that have ceased to labor in earthly work. The Chair awaits the pleasure of the House.

On motion of Mr. Gile of Worcester, —
 Clerk elected.

Ordered, That a committee of six be appointed to receive, sort and count the votes for Clerk.

Messrs. Gile of Worcester, Gordon of New Bedford, Fisk of Boston, Coveney of Cambridge, Smith of Athol and Hastings of Framingham were appointed the committee.

Mr. Gile, from the committee, afterwards reported as follows: —

Whole number of votes,	. . . . .	228
Edward A. McLaughlin of Boston,	. . . . .	227
George A. Marden of Lowell,	. . . . .	1

And Mr. McLaughlin, having been elected, was conducted to the Council Chamber by a committee consisting of Messrs. Warden of Waltham and Boardman of Marblehead. And, having been qualified by taking the oaths required, report was made accordingly to the House, and the Clerk entered upon the discharge of his duties.

A message was received from the Senate, announcing that John G. B. Adams of Lynn had been elected Sergeant-at-Arms on the part of that branch.

Notice of election of Sergeant-at-Arms on the part of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Dresser of Medford, —

Ordered, That a committee of eight be appointed to inform the Senate that the House has been organized by the election of a Speaker and a Clerk.

Senate notified of organization of the House.

Messrs. Dresser of Medford, Wales of Attleborough, Desmond of Boston, Atwood of Boston, McCarthy of Brockton, Wilde of Malden, Waters of Orange and O'Brien of Hopkinton were appointed the committee.

Mr. Dresser, from the committee, afterwards reported that they had attended to that duty.

On motion of Mr. Symonds of Salem, —

Ordered, That a committee of eight be appointed to inform the Governor and Council that the House has been organized by the election of a Speaker and a Clerk.

Governor and Council notified of organization of House.

Messrs. Symonds of Salem, Wilkinson of Cambridge, Gleason of Boston, Morey of Lowell, Hagerty of Boston, Kimball of Fitchburg, Haskell of Deerfield and Morin of Adams were appointed the committee.

Mr. Symonds, from the committee, afterwards reported that they had attended to that duty.

On motion of Mr. Breed of Lynn, —

Ordered, That a committee of six be appointed to receive, sort and count the votes for Sergeant-at-Arms.

Sergeant-at-Arms elected.

Messrs. Breed of Lynn, Kennedy of Boston, Dexter of Lowell, E. J. Donovan of Boston, Milliken of Malden and Morton of West Boylston were appointed the committee.

Mr. Breed, from the committee, afterwards reported as follows: —

Whole number of votes,	.	.	.	.	.	.	225
Necessary for a choice,	.	.	.	.	.	.	113
John G. B. Adams of Lynn,	.	.	.	.	.	.	225

Mr. Adams was declared elected on the part of the House.

Messrs. Parkman of Boston and Milne of Fall River were appointed a committee to inform the Senate of the election of John G. B. Adams as Sergeant-at-Arms on the part of the House.

Hour of meeting. On motion of Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, —
Ordered, That when the House adjourns to-day, it be to meet to-morrow at eleven o'clock A.M., and that that be the hour of meeting until otherwise ordered.

Temporary rules of the House. On motion of Mr. Hunt of Rockland, —
Ordered, That the rules of the House of Representatives of 1887 be adopted as the rules of the present House until otherwise ordered.

Rules of the House. On motion of Mr. Wharton of Boston, —
Ordered, That the members of the joint committee on Rules, on the part of the House, prepare rules for the government of the House.

Election of Chaplain. On motion of Mr. Backup of Boston, —
Ordered, That to-morrow at half-past eleven o'clock A.M. be assigned for the election of Chaplain.

Daily papers for use of the House. On motion of Mr. Brown of Boston, —
Ordered, That the Clerk be directed to procure for the use of the House two copies of each of the Boston daily papers, and of the daily papers published in Springfield and Worcester, and one daily paper from each other city and town in the Commonwealth where a daily paper is published.

Papers from the Senate.

Joint rules. *Ordered*, In concurrence, that the joint rules of the two branches of 1887 be observed until others are adopted.

Joint committee on rules. *Ordered*, In concurrence, that a joint special committee, to consist of the President and three members of the Senate, with such as the House may join, be appointed to prepare rules for the government of the two branches.

Messrs. Hartwell, Sprague and Roads having been appointed by the Senate, Messrs. Wharton of Boston, Parkman of Boston, Collison of Boston, Bottum of Northampton, Gile of Worcester, Hall of Taunton, Quincy of Quincy and Smith of Athol were joined on the part of the House.

On motion of Mr. Wharton of Boston, the Speaker of the House was joined to the committee.

Sergeant-at-Arms notified. *Ordered*, In concurrence, that Captain J. G. B. Adams of Lynn be notified that he has been elected by the two branches of the General Court, Sergeant-at-Arms for the current political year.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the returns of votes for Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, Secretary of the Commonwealth, Treasurer and Receiver-General, Auditor of Accounts and Attorney-General be referred to a joint special committee, to consist of three members of the Senate, and such as the House may join. Votes for Governor.

Messrs. Sleeper, Collins and Walker having been appointed by the Senate, Messrs. Colby of Boston, Shaw of Newburyport, Whitcher of Stoneham, Greenwood of Leominster, Fales of Norwood, Dunlea of Boston, Willis of New Bedford and Riddell of Nantucket were joined on the part of the House.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the returns of votes for Councillors in the several councillor districts of the Commonwealth be referred to a joint special committee, to consist of two members of the Senate, and such as the House may join. Votes for Councillors.

Messrs. Marble of Worcester and Howe of Middlesex having been appointed by the Senate, Messrs. Champlin of Chelsea, Leach of Boston, Story of Gloucester, Flynn of Lowell, Armstrong of Boston, Berry of Salem, Pear of Cambridge and Atwood of Boston were joined on the part of the House.

At two minutes past one o'clock, adjourned.

THURSDAY, January 5, 1888.

Met according to adjournment, at eleven o'clock A. M.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Mr. Gracey of Salem, a member of the House.

On motion of Mr. Fisk of Boston, the reading of the journal of yesterday was dispensed with.

Members Qualified.

Messrs. Pinkerton of Worcester, Collison of Boston and Flynn of Boston, members-elect, being present and ready to be qualified, Mr. Hall of Taunton was appointed a committee, who conducted them to the Council Chamber, and they having been qualified, report was made accordingly. Members qualified.

Orders.

Reading of
journal dis-
penssed with.

On motion of Mr. Cutler of Somerville, —

Ordered, That the reading of the journal of the House be dispensed with until otherwise ordered.

Printing of
journal.

On motion of Mr. Henry of Fall River, —

Ordered, That the Clerk be authorized to begin the printing of the journal of the House, that six hundred copies of the same be printed, and that a certified copy thereof be deposited with the Secretary of the Commonwealth as the journal of the House.

Laid on the Table.

Collection of
taxes.

A communication was received from the Deputy Tax Commissioner transmitting the draft of an Act to amend and codify the existing laws relating to the collection of taxes, pursuant to a resolve of the year 1887, which, on motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, was laid on the table.

Assessment in-
surance.

A communication was received from the Insurance Commissioner transmitting a report on the Resolve relating to the laws concerning assessment insurance, which was laid on the table.

Special Assignment.

Election of
Chaplain.

There being no objection, at twenty-four minutes past eleven o'clock, the matter specially assigned for half-past eleven o'clock, being the election of a Chaplain for the House, was taken up.

Mr. Milne of Fall River moved that the Rev. Daniel W. Waldron of Boston be elected Chaplain by acclamation. The motion prevailed, and Mr. Waldron was unanimously elected, and declaration was made accordingly.

Order.

Chaplain noti-
fied.

On motion of Mr. Miller of Chelsea, —

Ordered, That the Clerk be directed to inform the Rev. Daniel W. Waldron of Boston that he has been elected Chaplain of the House for the year 1888.

Papers from the Senate.

The report of the joint special committee on the returns of votes for Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, and other State officers, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, as follows : —

Votes for Governor, Lieutenant-Governor and other State officers.

For Governor of the Commonwealth.

Oliver Ames of Easton,	136,000	votes.
Henry B. Lovering of Lynn,	118,394	“
William H. Earle of Worcester,	10,945	“
Charles E. Marks of Plymouth,	595	“
All others,	98	“

And Oliver Ames is elected.

For Lieutenant-Governor.

John Q. A. Brackett of Arlington,	138,462	votes.
Walter Cutting of Pittsfield,	116,023	“
John Blackmer of Springfield,	11,051	“
Asa F. Hall of Hudson,	712	“
All others,	39	“

And John Q. A. Brackett is elected.

For Secretary of the Commonwealth.

Henry B. Peirce of Abington,	139,879	votes.
John F. Murphy of Lowell,	114,170	“
Amos E. Hall of Chelsea,	10,866	“
Joshua T. Small of Provincetown,	710	“
Henry C. Thacher of Yarmouth,	333	“
All others,	86	“

And Henry B. Peirce is elected.

For Treasurer and Receiver-General.

Alanson W. Beard of Boston,	138,755	votes.
Henry C. Thacher of Yarmouth,	115,642	“
John L. Kilbon of Lee,	10,819	“
Isaiah Dunn of Boston,	729	“
John F. Murphy of Lowell,	333	“
All others,	70	“

And Alanson W. Beard is elected.

For Auditor of Accounts.

Charles R. Ladd of Springfield,	. . .	139,327	votes.
William F. Cook of Springfield,	. . .	115,479	"
Edmund M. Stowe of Hudson,	. . .	10,835	"
Arad H. Wood of Lunenburg,	. . .	604	"
Henry S. Wood of Lunenburg,	. . .	110	"
All others,	. . .	32	"

And Charles R. Ladd is elected.

For Attorney-General.

Andrew J. Waterman of Pittsfield,	. . .	139,656	votes.
John W. Corcoran of Clinton,	. . .	114,705	"
Allen Coffin of Nantucket,	. . .	10,914	"
Edwin M. White of Boston,	. . .	700	"
All others,	. . .	64	"

And Andrew J. Waterman is elected.

Votes for Coun-
cillors.

The report of the joint committee on the votes for Councillors, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule. It appeared from said report that the following-named gentlemen were elected in their respective districts, to wit: —

- District No. 1. Jonathan Bourne of New Bedford.
 2. Elijah A. Morse of Canton.
 3. Ebenezer M. McPherson of Boston.
 4. Michael M. Cunniff of Boston.
 5. Frank D. Allen of Lynn.
 6. Francis Jewett of Lowell.
 7. George W. Johnson of Brookfield.
 8. Levi J. Gunn of Greenfield.

Governor and
Lieutenant-
Governor noti-
fied of their
election.

Ordered, In concurrence, that a committee be appointed, to be joined, to inform the Hon. Oliver Ames that he has been elected, in the manner prescribed by the Constitution, Governor of the Commonwealth for the current political year, and that the Legislature will be ready to attend upon him, in taking and subscribing the oaths required by the Constitution and a law of the United States to qualify him for the discharge of the duties of the office, at such hour as may suit his convenience.

Also to inform the Hon. John Q. A. Brackett that he has been duly elected Lieutenant-Governor of the Commonwealth for the current political year, and that the Legislature will attend upon him, in taking and subscribing the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him for the discharge of the duties of the office, when agreeable to him.

Messrs. Howard, Fletcher and Wheelock having been appointed by the Senate, Messrs. Pinkerton of Worcester, Blume of Boston, Thompson of Lowell, Noonan of Boston, Read of Cambridge, Frost of Boston, Bixby of Brockton and Carman of Fall River were joined on the part of the House.

Mr. Pinkerton, from the committee, afterwards reported that the committee had waited upon the Governor and the Lieutenant-Governor elect, and that they had signified their acceptance of their respective offices, and their readiness to be qualified at the earliest convenience of the two branches.

The following order was adopted, in concurrence:—

Ordered, That the two branches meet forthwith in convention, for the purpose of administering the oaths of office to the Governor and Lieutenant-Governor elect.

Joint Convention.

The Senate then came in, its President took the chair, and, the two branches being in convention, a committee, consisting of Messrs. Glines, Isaac N. Keith and Dwyer, of the Senate, and Messrs. Hinchcliffe of Lawrence, Hayes of Boston, Call of Springfield, Raymond of Somerville, Risteen of Amesbury, Vanderhoop of Gay Head, Garity of Boston and Hartwell of Ayer, of the House, was appointed to wait upon the Governor and Lieutenant-Governor elect, and inform them that the two branches are now in joint convention, and are ready to attend to the administration of the oaths of office.

Mr. Glines, from the committee, afterwards reported that the Governor and Lieutenant-Governor elect would immediately attend upon the convention.

The Governor and Lieutenant-Governor then came in, accompanied by various civil and military officers of the Commonwealth.

The oaths and affirmations of office were then, in the

presence of the two Houses, and before the President of the Senate, administered to and subscribed by the Hon. Oliver Ames as Governor, and the Hon. John Q. A. Brackett as Lieutenant-Governor, and proclamation thereof was made by the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

Governor's address.

His Excellency then delivered an address to the Senators and Representatives.

After which the Governor and Lieutenant-Governor withdrew, the convention was dissolved, and the Senate returned to the Senate Chamber.

Councillors Qualified.

Councillors qualified.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the Secretary of the Commonwealth give notice to Messrs. Jonathan Bourne, Elijah A. Morse, Ebenezer M. McPherson, Michael M. Cunniff, Frank D. Allen, Francis Jewett, George W. Johnson and Levi J. Gunn that they have been duly elected Councillors to advise the Governor in the executive part of the government for the current political year.

A communication was subsequently received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, announcing that the several Councillors-elect had signified their acceptance of the office, and were ready to be qualified.

Paper from the Senate.

The following order was adopted, in concurrence : —

Ordered, That the two branches meet forthwith in convention, for the purpose of administering the oaths of office to such of the Councillors-elect as may have signified their acceptance of the office.

Joint Convention.

The Senate then came in, its President took the chair, and, the two branches being in convention, a committee, consisting of Messrs. Hartwell, Marble and Tucker, of the Senate, and Messrs. Floyd of Winthrop, Friend of Gloucester, Lally of Milford, White of Taunton, Kimball of Northampton, Southwick of Peabody, Robinson of Southborough and Cannell of Everett, of the House, was appointed to wait upon the Councillors-elect and inform them that the two Houses are in joint convention for the purpose of administering the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify them for office.

Soon afterwards the Councillors-elect, Messrs. Jonathan Bourne, Elijah A. Morse, Ebenezer M. McPherson, Michael M. Cunniff, Frank D. Allen, Francis Jewett, George W. Johnson and Levi J. Gunn came in; and in the presence of the two Houses, and before the President of the Senate, the oaths were taken and subscribed by them, and declaration was made accordingly.

The Councillors then withdrew, the convention was dissolved, and the Senate returned to the Senate chamber.

Paper from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the Clerks of the two branches give notice to the Hon. Henry B. Peirce of Abington that he has been elected Secretary of the Commonwealth; to the Hon. Alanson W. Beard of Boston that he has been elected Treasurer and Receiver-General; to the Hon. Charles R. Ladd of Springfield that he has been elected Auditor of Accounts; and to the Hon. Andrew J. Waterman of Pittsfield that he has been elected Attorney-General, severally to hold office for one year from the third Wednesday in January instant.

Clerks of Senate and House directed to notify Secretary, Treasurer, Auditor and Attorney-General of their election.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Commonwealth give notice to the Governor that Messrs. Jonathan Bourne, Elijah A. Morse, Ebenezer M. McPherson, Michael M. Cunniff, Frank D. Allen, Francis Jewett, George W. Johnson and Levi J. Gunn have been duly elected and qualified as Councillors to advise him in the executive part of the government for the current political year.

Secretary directed to notify Governor of election and qualification of Councillors.

On motion of Mr. Wharton of Boston, —

Ordered, That the joint special committee on Rules consider what disposition should be made of the several portions of the Governor's address.

Disposition of Governor's address.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Parkman of Boston, —

Ordered, That when the House adjourns to-day it be to meet on Monday next at two o'clock P. M., and that hereafter that be the hour of meeting until otherwise ordered.

Adjournment until Monday. Hour of meeting.

At thirty-one minutes past one o'clock, adjourned.

MONDAY, January 9, 1888.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P. M.

Rev. Daniel W. Waldron of Boston, having accepted the office of Chaplain, appeared, and prayer was offered by him.

Members Qualified.

Members qualified.

Messrs. Eames of Lawrence and Clarke of North-bridge, members-elect, being present and ready to be qualified, Mr. Gile of Worcester was appointed a committee, who conducted them to the Council Chamber, and they having been qualified, report was made accordingly.

Papers from the Senate.

Joint Rule 1.

A report in part, of the joint special committee appointed to prepare Rules for the government of the two branches, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, as follows : — That joint Rule No. 1 should be amended to read as follows : —

1. The following joint standing committees shall be appointed at the commencement of the January session, viz. : —

- A committee on Agriculture ;
- A committee on Banks and Banking ;
- A committee on Cities ;
- A committee on Drainage ;
- A committee on Education ;
- A committee on Labor ;
- A committee on Manufactures ;
- A committee on Mercantile Affairs ;
- A committee on Military Affairs ;
- A committee on Public Charitable Institutions ;
- A committee on Street Railways ;
- A committee on Water Supply ;

Each to consist of three members on the part of the Senate and eight on the part of the House.

- A committee on Election Laws ;
- A committee on Federal Relations ;
- A committee on Fisheries and Game ;
- A committee on Harbors and Public Lands ;

- A committee on Insurance ;
- A committee on the Library ;
- A committee on the Liquor Law ;
- A committee on Parishes and Religious Societies ;
- A committee on Printing ;
- A committee on Prisons ;
- A committee on Public Health ;
- A committee on Public Service ;
- A committee on Roads and Bridges ;
- A committee on State House ;
- A committee on Taxation ;
- A committee on Towns ;
- A committee on Woman Suffrage ;

Each to consist of two members on the part of the Senate and seven on the part of the House.

A committee on Railroads, to consist of four on the part of the Senate and eleven on the part of the House.

A committee on Expenditures, to consist of the committee on the Treasury of the Senate and the committee on Finance of the House.

A committee on Expediting Legislative Business, to consist of the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House, and two members on the part of the Senate and seven on the part of the House.

The committees of the two branches, on the Judiciary, on Probate and Insolvency, and on Rules, may sit respectively as joint committees for the consideration of such matters as may be referred to them.

The report of the joint special committee on Rules, on the order relative to the disposition of the several portions of the Governor's address, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, as follows : —

*Disposition of
the Governor's
address.*

That so much thereof as relates to the finances of the Commonwealth be referred to the joint standing committee on Expenditures.

So much thereof as relates to savings banks, to the joint standing committee on Banks and Banking.

So much thereof as relates to schools, to the joint standing committee on Education.

So much thereof as relates to railroads, to the joint standing committee on Railroads.

So much thereof as relates to the State Prison, to the joint standing committee on Prisons.

So much thereof as relates to the Massachusetts Reformatory, to the joint standing committee on Prisons.

So much thereof as relates to prison labor, to the joint standing committee on Prisons.

So much thereof as relates to the District Police, to the joint standing committee on the Judiciary.

So much thereof as relates to the Illiterate Minors Act, to the joint standing committee on Education.

So much thereof as relates to the courts, to the joint standing committee on the Judiciary.

So much thereof as relates to labor, to the joint standing committee on Labor.

So much thereof as relates to the militia, to the joint standing committee on Military Affairs.

So much thereof as relates to public health, to the joint standing committee on Public Health.

So much thereof as relates to prevention of waste by fire, to the joint standing committee on Insurance.

So much thereof as relates to woman suffrage, to the joint standing committee on Woman Suffrage.

So much thereof as relates to liquor traffic, to the joint standing committee on the Liquor Law.

So much thereof as relates to constitutional amendments, to a joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments, to consist of three members on the part of the Senate and eight on the part of the House.

So much thereof as relates to the State House, to the joint standing committee on State House.

Report of a Committee.

House Rules.

By Mr. Wharton of Boston, from the committee on Rules on the part of the House, on an order relative to preparing rules for the government of the House, recommending the adoption of the rules of the House of Representatives for 1887, without alteration. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Wharton.

COMMITTEES APPOINTED.

The Speaker appointed the standing committees of the House, as follows : —

Standing Committees of the House.

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Judiciary. — Messrs. Wharton of Boston, Buttum of Northampton, Colby of Boston, Smith of Athol, Collison

of Boston, Pinkerton of Worcester, Wardwell of Haverhill, Flynn of Boston and Pratt of Abington.

Probate and Insolvency. — Messrs. McCall of Winchester, Hill of Spencer, Hagerty of Boston, Haggerty of Southbridge, Brewer of Boston, Sanger of Cambridge, Preble of Boston, Sohler of Beverly and Griswold of Greenfield.

Finance. — Messrs. Ware of Boston, Dexter of Lowell, Wales of Attleborough, Kimball of Fitchburg, Lovell of Boston, Hartwell of Ayer, Allen of Woburn, Kimball of Northampton and Bennett of Springfield.

County Estimates. — Messrs. Jaques of Haverhill, Conroy of Fall River, Clark of Huntington, Taft of New Marlborough, Clark of Wilbraham, Thayer of Randolph and Gagan of Boston.

Elections. — Messrs. Preble of Boston, Fales of Norwood, O'Neill of Sudbury, Quinn of Fall River, Garity of Boston, Dennis of Gloucester and Perry of Norton.

Rules. — The Speaker and Messrs. Wharton of Boston, Parkman of Boston, Collison of Boston, Bottum of Northampton, Gile of Worcester, Hall of Taunton, Quincy of Quincy and Smith of Athol.

Bills in the Third Reading. — Messrs. Brown of Boston, Slocum of Newton and Carroll of Worcester.

Engrossed Bills. — Messrs. Hunt of Rockland, Floyd of Winthrop and Conroy of Fall River.

Leave of Absence. — Messrs. Slocum of Dartmouth, Davis of Somerset and Carey of Dalton.

Pay Roll. — Messrs. Dame of Newbury, Doherty of Boston and Dewey of Williamsburg.

The Speaker announced the joint standing committees, as follows : —

Joint Standing Committees.

Agriculture. — Messrs. Gleason of Worcester and Hampshire, Howland of Bristol and Palmer of Middlesex, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Brigham of Marlborough, Trull of Tewksbury, Allen of Auburn, Babbitt of Berkley, Haskell of Deerfield, Shepard of Westfield, Peirson of Pittsfield and Turner of South Scituate, *of the House*.

Joint standing committees.

Banks and Banking.—Messrs. Fletcher of Middlesex, Gleason of Worcester and Hampshire and Marble of Worcester, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Milne of Fall River, Call of Springfield, Witt of Boston, Read of Cambridge, Richards of Lynn, Holbrook of Weymouth, Brewer of Boston and Raymond of Hinsdale, *of the House*.

Cities.—Messrs. Hathorne of Suffolk, Sprague of Suffolk and Shea of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Parkman of Boston, Hinchcliffe of Lawrence, Flynn of Lowell, Miller of Chelsea, Slocum of Newton, Close of Cambridge, Cheney of Worcester and Leary of Boston, *of the House*.

Drainage.—Messrs. Kingsley of Middlesex, Slattery of Middlesex and Messinger of Bristol, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Fisk of Boston, Whitcher of Stoneham, Walworth of Newton, Dunlea of Boston, Noonan of Boston, Rogers of Millbury, Rogerson of Mansfield and Sullivan of Boston, *of the House*.

Education.—Messrs. Gleason of Worcester and Hampshire, Gleason of Plymouth and Marble of Worcester, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Wilde of Malden, Haggerty of Southbridge, Wright of Westford, McEttrick of Boston, Lyman of Belchertown, Hooper of Bridgewater, Clarke of Northbridge and Stowe of Bellingham, *of the House*.

Election Laws.—Messrs. Sprague of Suffolk and Shea of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Sanford of Boston, Hunt of Rockland, Tompkins of New Bedford, Russell of Somerville, O'Neil of Boston, McDonald of Great Barrington and Spring of Holliston, *of the House*.

Expediting Legislative Business.—The President and Messrs. Glines of Middlesex and Southworth of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; the Speaker and Messrs. Wadlin of Reading, Walworth of Newton, Symonds of Salem, Hall of Taunton, McDonough of Boston, Wardwell of Haverhill and Mellen of Worcester, *of the House*.

Expenditures.—Messrs. Sleeper of Middlesex, Ladd of Worcester and Pike of Essex, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Ware of Boston, Dexter of Lowell, Wales of Attleborough, Kimball of Fitchburg, Lovell of Boston, Hartwell of Ayer, Allen of Woburn, Kimball of Northampton and Bennett of Springfield, *of the House*.

Federal Relations. — Messrs. Glines of Middlesex and Perkins of Hampden, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Barrett of Melrose, Eames of Lawrence, Provin of Westfield, Hitchcock of Ware, Temple of Colrain, Thompson of Brockton and Sullivan of Lawrence, *of the House*.

Fisheries and Game. — Messrs. Cook of Essex and Howe of Middlesex, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Crowell of Dennis, Dennis of Gloucester, Dame of Methuen, Stimpson of Swampscott, Conwell of Provincetown, Delano of Marion and Taft of New Marlborough, *of the House*.

Harbors and Public Lands. — Messrs. Keith of the Cape District and Spellman of Hampden, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Story of Gloucester, Gleason of Boston, P. H. Quinn of Boston, Kennedy of Boston, White of Taunton, Rugg of New Bedford and Hixon of Chelsea, *of the House*.

Insurance. — Messrs. Dwyer of Suffolk and Pike of Essex, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Carpenter of Brookline, Henry of Fall River, Provin of Westfield, Farren of Boston, Clark of Natick, Church of Cambridge and Davis of Somerset, *of the House*.

Labor. — Messrs. Howard of Bristol, Keith of Plymouth and Stevens of Norfolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Mellen of Worcester, Tyler of Middleton, Quincy of Quincy, Keane of Holyoke, Seavey of Medway, Goss of Amesbury, Manning of Andover and Simonds of Westminster, *of the House*.

Library. — Messrs. Southworth of Suffolk and Dwyer of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Sanger of Cambridge, Milliken of Malden, Milne of Fall River, Dexter of Lowell, Vanderhoop of Gay Head, Carey of Dalton and McCooley of Blackstone, *of the House*.

Liquor Law. — Messrs. Gleason of Plymouth and Sullivan of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Manning of Worcester, Eames of Lawrence, Haynes of Sturbridge, Rogers of Orleans, McEttrick of Boston, Cronin of Worcester and Driscoll of Lynn, *of the House*.

Manufactures. — Messrs. McAlpine of Essex, Palmer of Middlesex and Wheelock of Worcester, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Morey of Lowell, Waters of Orange, Hill of Spencer, Friend of Gloucester, Wiley of Hardwick, Robinson of Springfield, Conant of Gardner and Woods of Boston, *of the House*.

Mercantile Affairs. — Messrs. Clark of Berkshire and Hampshire, Cook of Essex and Stevens of Norfolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Gile of Worcester, Leach of Boston, Atwood of Boston, McEnany of Boston, Brooks of Springfield, Brackett of Milton, Knox of Chester and Holman of Clinton, *of the House*.

Military Affairs. — Messrs. Walker of Essex, Hathorne of Suffolk and Palmer of Middlesex, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Woodward of Wakefield, Boardman of Marblehead, Bartlett of Montague, Southwick of Peabody, Spring of Holliston, Martin of Lynn, Riddell of Nantucket and Lyons of North Adams, *of the House*.

Parishes and Religious Societies. — Messrs. Fletcher of Middlesex and Wheelock of Worcester, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Gracey of Salem, Colby of Boston, Lyman of Belchertown, Haskell of Deerfield, Dewey of Williamsburg, Tyler of Middleton and Kendall of Fitchburg, *of the House*.

Printing. — Messrs. Kimball of Suffolk and Roads of Essex, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Gunn of Boston, Lally of Milford, Poore of Bradford, Perry of Norton, Carney of Lawrence, Dolan of Stoughton and Rounsevell of Freetown, *of the House*.

Prisons. — Messrs. Perkins of Hampden and Walker of Essex, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Hall of Taunton, Thompson of Lowell, Berry of Salem, Willis of New Bedford, Gibson of Chicopee, Butler of Georgetown and Fisher of Grafton, *of the House*.

Public Charitable Institutions. — Messrs. Towne of Franklin, Clark of Essex and Howard of Bristol, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Warden of Waltham, Hagerty of Boston, Ferry of Springfield, Frost of Boston, Perkins of Winchendon, Robinson of Southborough, O'Mealey of Boston and Risteen of Amesbury, *of the House*.

Public Health. — Messrs. Gleason of Plymouth and Towne of Franklin, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Wilkinson of Cambridge, Miller of Needham, Friend of Gloucester, Brady of Lowell, Hastings of Framingham, Hayes of Lynn and D. J. Quinn of Boston, *of the House*.

Public Service. — Messrs. Hartwell of Worcester and Sullivan of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Sohler of Beverly, Cutler of Somerville, Gleason of Holbrook,

Clark of Wilbraham, Norwood of Hamilton, Towne of Lynn and Grosvenor of Ludlow, *of the House*.

Railroads. — Messrs. Glines of Middlesex, Keith of the Cape District, Roads of Essex and Southworth of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Wadlin of Reading, Upham of Waltham, Adams of Lowell, James Donovan of Boston, Gordon of New Bedford, McDonough of Boston, Kearn of North Adams, Symonds of Salem, Breed of Lynn, Wyman of Hyde Park and Raymond of Somerville, *of the House*.

Roads and Bridges. — Messrs. Slattery of Middlesex and Keith of Plymouth, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Morton of West Boylston, Morin of Adams, Plaisted of Worcester, Slocum of Dartmouth, Hatch of Marshfield, Dame of Newbury and Winchester of Holyoke, *of the House*.

State House. — Messrs. Tucker of Norfolk and Clark of Essex, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Fales of Norwood, Jaques of Haverhill, Armstrong of Boston, Hathaway of Boston, Bixby of Brockton, Calnan of Boston and Fottler of Boston, *of the House*.

Street Railways. — Messrs. Kimball of Suffolk, Howe of Middlesex and Tucker of Norfolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Dresser of Medford, Woodward of Wakefield, Desmond of Boston, Lothrop of Cohasset, E. J. Donovan of Boston, Shaw of Newburyport, Gunn of Boston and Cannell of Everett, *of the House*.

Taxation. — Messrs. Marble of Worcester and Collins of Suffolk, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Floyd of Winthrop, O'Brien of Hopkinton, Blake of Bedford, Burnham of Essex, Nelson of Lakeville, Thayer of Randolph and Carroll of Worcester, *of the House*.

Towns. — Messrs. Ladd of Worcester and Messenger of Bristol, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Qua of Lowell, Greenwood of Leominster, Champlin of Chelsea, Coolidge of West Brookfield, Eldridge of Bourne, Winthrop of Stockbridge and Coveney of Cambridge, *of the House*.

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Woman Suffrage. — Messrs. Howland of Bristol and Slattery of Middlesex, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Miliken of Malden, Quincy of Quincy, Hinchcliffe of Lawrence, Brown of Boston, Barrett of Melrose, Doherty of Boston and Carman of Fall River, *of the House*.

The Speaker announced the following as the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments: —

Joint Special Committee.

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committee.

Constitutional Amendments. — Messrs. Hartwell of Worcester, Sprague of Suffolk and Crosby of Berkshire, *of the Senate*; Messrs. Blume of Boston, Gile of Worcester, Pinkerton of Worcester, Parkman of Boston, Russell of Maynard, Flynn of Boston, Finney of Plymouth and McCarthy of Brockton, *of the House*.

The Speaker appointed the following as

Monitors of the House.

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First Division. — Messrs. Breed of Lynn, McDonough of Boston.

Second Division. — Messrs. Symonds of Salem, Brady of Lowell.

Third Division. — Messrs. Thompson of Lowell, E. J. Donovan of Boston.

Fourth Division. — Messrs. Jaques of Haverhill, Dame of Methuen.

Fifth Division. — Messrs. Warden of Waltham, McEttrick of Boston.

Sixth Division. — Messrs. Smith of Athol, Collison of Boston.

Drawing of Seats.

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Under the rule, the House proceeded at once to the drawing of seats, Messrs. Wharton of Boston, Ware of Boston and Upham of Waltham being appointed a committee to supervise the same.

Mr. Slocum of Dartmouth was allowed, on motion of Mr. Gordon of New Bedford, to select his seat before the drawing began.

Mr. Hitchcock of Ware was allowed, on motion of Mr. Wiley of Hardwick, to select his seat before the drawing began.

At twenty-four minutes past three o'clock, adjourned.

TUESDAY, January 10, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports, Etc., Referred.

The following documents were received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, and were severally referred, as follows : —

Aggregates of polls, property, taxes, etc., as assessed May 1, 1887. To the committee on Finance. Polls, property, taxes, etc.

Abstract of returns of Sheriffs. Returns of Sheriffs.

Abstract of returns of Registers of Deeds. Returns of Registers of Deeds.

Severally to the committee on the Judiciary.

Report of the Chief of Massachusetts District Police, for the year ending Dec. 31, 1887, including the result of the inspection of factories and public buildings. To the joint standing committee on the Judiciary. Report of Chief of District Police.

Forty-fifth Registration Report ; Registration report.

So much thereof as relates to libels for divorce. To the joint committee on the Judiciary ; and

So much thereof as relates to Births, Marriages and Deaths and returns of Medical Examiners. To the committee on Public Health.

Report of the Librarian of the State Library, for the year ending Sept. 30, 1887, and Eighth Annual Supplement to the General Catalogue. To the committee on the Library. Report of State Librarian.

Tenth annual report of the Trustees of the Danvers Lunatic Hospital, for the year ending Sept. 30, 1887. Danvers Lunatic Hospital.

Thirty-second annual report of the Trustees of the Northampton Lunatic Hospital, for the year ending Sept. 30, 1887. Northampton Lunatic Hospital.

Thirty-fourth annual report of the Trustees of the Taunton Lunatic Hospital, for the year ending Sept. 30, 1887. Taunton Lunatic Hospital.

Fifty-fifth annual report of the Trustees of the Worcester Lunatic Hospital, and tenth annual report of the Trustees of the Worcester Insane Asylum, for the year ending Sept. 30, 1887. Worcester Lunatic Hospital.
Worcester Insane Asylum.

State Farm at
Bridgewater.

Thirty-fourth annual report of the Trustees of the State Farm at Bridgewater, for the year ending Sept. 30, 1887.

State Alms-
house at Tewks-
bury.

Thirty-fourth annual report of the Trustees of the State Almshouse at Tewksbury, for the year ending Sept. 30, 1887.

Massachusetts
School for the
Feeble-Minded.

Fourteenth annual report of the Trustees of the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded at South Boston, for the year ending Sept. 30, 1887.

Perkins Institu-
tion and Massa-
chusetts School
for the Blind.

Fifty-sixth annual report of the Trustees of the Perkins Institution and Massachusetts School for the Blind, for the year ending Sept. 30, 1887.

Westborough
Insane Hospital.

Third annual report of the Trustees of the Westborough Insane Hospital, for the year ending Sept. 30, 1887.

State Primary
and Reform
Schools.

Ninth annual report of the Trustees of the State Primary and Reform Schools, with the annual reports of the Resident Officers, for the year ending Sept. 30, 1887.

Severally to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Laid on the Table.

Report of Civil
Service Com-
missioners.

The fourth annual report of the Civil Service Commissioners of Massachusetts was received, and was laid on the table.

A message was received from His Excellency the Governor transmitting the following reports, which were severally laid on the table:—

Report of Board
of Registration
in Pharmacy.

Report of the Board of Registration in Pharmacy, for the year ending Oct. 1, 1887.

Report of Adju-
tant-General.

Annual report of the Adjutant-General of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, for the year ending Dec. 31, 1887.

Report of Board
of Registration
in Dentistry.

First annual report of the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Dentistry.

Report of Board
of Police.

Third annual report of the Board of Police for the city of Boston.

Report Received.

Report of Board
of Education.

The fifty-first annual report of the Board of Education, together with the fifty-first annual report of the Secretary of the Board, was received, and was referred to the committee on Education and sent up for concurrence.

Petitions.

A communication was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth transmitting the following petitions received in his department, under the requirements of chapter 24 of the Acts of the year 1885. The communication was read, and the petitions were severally referred, as follows : —

Petition of the city of Cambridge for a readjustment of the boundary line between said city and Somerville.

Boundary line between Cambridge and Somerville.
Quincy.

Petition of the town of Quincy that said town may be incorporated as a city.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

Petition of the proprietors of Eastern Harbor Meadows and Beaches for exclusive right to use the waters of Eastern Harbor and to the fishing and fowling therein.

Proprietors of Eastern Harbor Meadows and Beaches.

To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Petition of James A. L'Amoreux for a repeal of section 3, chapter 368, of the Acts of the year 1887, relative to the building of a wing dam on the Connecticut River in South Hadley. To the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

James A. L'Amoreux.

Petition of Samuel Fessenden and others for an act of incorporation as the Town Neck Land Company of Sandwich.

Town Neck Land Company of Sandwich.

Petition of Chester Snow and others for incorporation as the Postal Automatic Telegraph Company.

Postal Automatic Telegraph Company.

Petition of the trustees of the proprietors of the Forest Hills Cemetery Association for an amendment of the charter of said corporation relative to the election of officers and for other purposes.

Forest Hills Cemetery Association.

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Petition of the Boston and Providence Railroad Corporation for authority to lease its railroad franchises and property to the Old Colony Railroad Company.

Boston and Providence Railroad and Old Colony Railroad.

Petition of the Mayor of Cambridge for such legislation as will remedy the nuisance now existing by reason of the tracks of the Boston and Albany Railroad crossing the streets of said city at grade.

Cambridge,—Boston and Albany Railroad.

Petition of the Boston and Maine Railroad Company for authority to purchase the property, franchise, etc., of the Eastern Railroad Company.

Boston and Maine Railroad and Eastern Railroad.

Boston, Revere
Beach and Lynn
Railroad.

Petition of the Boston, Revere Beach and Lynn Railroad Company for authority to take land, wharf and docks from Rowe's Wharf Corporation.

Severally to the committee on Railroads.

Bridge over Ne-
ponset River.

Petition of Henry L. Pierce and others of Boston and Milton for the widening of Granite and Neponset bridges over Neponset River. To the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Marlborough
Street Railway
Company.
Eastern Middle-
sex Railway Com-
pany.

Petition of Samuel Boyd and others for an act of incorporation as the Marlborough Street Railway Company.

Petition of the Eastern Middlesex Railway Company for extension of time for constructing a street railway in Wakefield.

Onset Street
Railway Com-
pany.

Petition of the Onset Street Railway Company for an amendment of its charter to enable it to build additional tracks and for other purposes.

Severally to the committee on Street Railways.

Boundary line
between Wake-
field and Stone-
ham.

Petition of William Montgomery and others, citizens of Wakefield and Stoneham, for a relocation of the boundary line between said towns.

Deerfield and
Greenfield.

Petition of Joel De Wolf and others that a part of Deerfield may be annexed to Greenfield.

Hanson and
Whitman.

Petition of Horace Reed and others that a part of the town of Hanson may be annexed to the town of Whitman.

Beverly Farms.

Petition of D. W. Hardy and others that a part of the town of Beverly be set off as a separate town, to be called Beverly Farms.

Ibid.

Petition of George H. Wyatt and others that a part of the town of Wenham and that portion of Beverly called Beverly Farms may be incorporated as the town of Beverly Farms.

Stoughton.

Petition of S. S. Gifford and others that a part of the town of Stoughton may be set off and incorporated as a separate town.

Medford.

Petition of C. M. Barrett and others that a part of the town of Medford be set off and incorporated as the town of Brooks.

Watertown, —
Newton.

Petition of J. W. Tuttle and others that a part of the town of Watertown may be annexed to the city of Newton.

Severally to the committee on Towns.

Monson Water
Company.

Petition of R. M. Reynolds and others for an act of incorporation as the Monson Water Company.

- Petition of the town of Brookfield for authority to supply its inhabitants with water. Brookfield water supply.
- Petition of the town of Maynard for authority to supply its inhabitants with water, and to take the waters of White Pond, in the towns of Hudson and Stow, for that purpose. Maynard water supply.
- Petition of Oliver W. Peabody and others of Milton to be incorporated as a water company. Water company in Milton.
- Petition of Ellerton P. Whitney and others to be incorporated as a water company for the purpose of supplying the inhabitants of Milton with water. Ibid.
- Petition of William F. Whitmore and others for incorporation as the Leicester Water Supply District. Leicester Water Supply District.
- Petition of George W. Cate and others for an amendment of the charter of the Powow Hill Water Company. Powow Hill Water Company.
- Petition of the town of Athol for authority to take water from Phillipston Pond in the town of Phillipston. Athol water supply.
- Petition of Thomas Blanchard and others that the Fire District in Stoughton have authority to purchase the franchise of the Stoughton Water Company, etc. Stoughton Fire District.
- Petition of Edward B. Howland and others for an act of incorporation as the Sandwich Water Company. Sandwich Water Company.
- Severally to the committee on Water Supply.
- Severally sent up for concurrence.

Petitions Presented.

- By Mr. Dame of Newbury, petition of the city of Newburyport for authority to discontinue the town landing in said city, and to improve the same. Newburyport town landing.
- By Mr. Pear of Cambridge, petition of the city of Cambridge for legislation to enable said city to appoint a Board of Registrars of Voters, which shall not include the City Clerk. Cambridge.
- Severally referred to the committee on Cities.
- By Mr. Allen of Woburn, petition of the town of Woburn for a city charter for said town. Referred to the committee on Cities, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct. Woburn.
- By Mr. Floyd of Winthrop, petition of the town of Winthrop for an act authorizing the town to construct and maintain a system of sewerage. Referred to the committee on Drainage, with instructions to hear the Winthrop sewerage.

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Intoxicating
liquors.

By Mr. Waters of Orange, petition of the Massachusetts Christian Temperance Union for legislation relative to the repeal of the local option law and for the enactment of a law prohibiting the manufacture and sale of all alcoholic liquors as a beverage. Referred to the committee on the Liquor Law.

Massachusetts
Charitable Eye
and Ear Infirmary.

By Mr. Brown of Boston, petition of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary for an appropriation of \$15,000. Referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Police court of
Lowell.

By Mr. Qua of Lowell, petition of the clerk of the police court of Lowell for clerical assistance. Referred to the committee on Public Service.

Whately,—New
Haven and
Northampton
Railroad.

By Mr. Haskell of Deerfield, petition of the selectmen and others of Whately for legislation to compel the New Haven and Northampton Railroad Company to establish a station and stop certain trains in said town. Referred to the committee on Railroads.

Peabody water
supply.

By Mr. Southwick of Peabody, petition of the selectmen and water board of Peabody that they may be allowed to make certain improvements in the water supply of said town. Referred to the committee on Water Supply.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Henry Le B.
Willis.

By Mr. Gile of Worcester, petition of Henry Le B. Willis, commissioner for Massachusetts in the State of Colorado, for legalization of his acts.

Attleborough.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, petition of the selectmen of Attleborough for legislation ratifying and confirming the action of the town in town meeting July 13, 1887.

North Attlebor-
ough.

By the same gentleman, petition of the selectmen of North Attleborough for legislation ratifying and confirming the action of the town in town meeting July 13, 1887.

Salem.—Mary
A. Bertram.

By Mr. Symonds of Salem, petition of the city of Salem for authority to enable said city to accept the deed of gift of Mary A. Bertram and others for the purpose of a public library, and to issue bonds, etc.

By Mr. Clark of Natick, petition of Nathaniel Bartlett and others of Natick for legislation relative to the protection of the Old Indian Burying Ground in said town.

Old Indian
Burying
Ground in Na-
tick.

Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. James Donovan of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of repealing chapter 250 of the Acts of 1884 relative to the division of the city of Boston into twelve aldermanic districts, and that the committee on Cities consider the expediency of legislation providing that the aldermen of said city be elected at large by the legal voters of said city of Boston.

Aldermanic
districts in Bos-
ton.

On motion of Mr. Quincy of Quincy, —

Ordered, That the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments consider the expediency of amending the Constitution of the Commonwealth so as to abolish the requirement of the payment of a tax as a qualification for voting.

Constitutional
amendment, —
poll-tax qualifi-
cation for vot-
ing.

On motion of Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, —

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending sections 10 and 11 of chapter 203 of the Public Statutes relating to burglary, by inserting a definite minimum penalty in each of said sections.

Burglary.

On motion of Mr. McCooley of Blackstone, —

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of legislation to further protect that class of operatives known as weavers from unjust and unnecessary deductions of wages for imperfect weaving.

Weavers.

On motion of Mr. McDonough of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of amending chapter 320 of the Acts of the year 1884 so as to exempt all persons who served in the army or navy of the United States in time of the war of the rebellion and were honorably discharged therefrom.

Exemption of
soldiers and
sailors from pro-
visions of the
civil service act.

On motion of Mr. Hall of Taunton, —

Ordered, That the committee on Prisons be authorized to visit the various prisons and correctional institutions of the Commonwealth whenever they think it expedient.

Committee on
Prisons author-
ized to visit.

On motion of Mr. McEttrick of Boston, —
Ordered, That the Clerks of the two branches of the Legislature be requested to procure a suitable number of copies of the "Massachusetts Red Book" for the use of the members.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Ware of Boston, —
Ordered, That the committee on Finance have authority to report from time to time such appropriation bills as the exigencies of the public service may require, and to employ such clerical service as may be necessary.

On motion of Mr. McDonough of Boston, —
Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of such legislation as will enable the widow and next of kin of persons not employees injured and dying instantaneously by reason of the carelessness or negligence of third persons to recover damages for such injuries.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Gile of Worcester, a Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution forbidding the manufacture and sale of alcoholic liquors as a beverage. Read and referred to the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Mr. Dresser of Medford, a Bill for the relief of persons who have served in the army or navy of the United States, and their dependent families. Read and referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Gile of Worcester, a Bill to authorize the cities and towns of the Commonwealth to supply the inhabitants thereof with water. Read and referred to the committee on Water Supply.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Blume of Boston, a Bill to provide for the appointment of two assistants to the Attorney-General. Read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, the report of the Insurance Commissioner on the Resolve relating to the laws concerning assessment insurance, was taken

from the table, and was referred to the committee on Insurance and sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments consider the expediency of an amendment to the Constitution prohibiting the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors.

Constitutional amendment,—
intoxicating
liquors.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on State House consider the expediency of furnishing electric light to the several departments and offices in the State House and Commonwealth Building.

Electric lights
for State House
and Common-
wealth Build-
ing.

A Bill to provide additional clerical assistance for the General Court, introduced, on leave, in the Senate, was read and referred, in concurrence, to the joint special committee to prepare Rules for the government of the two branches.

Clerical assist-
ance for the
General Court.

The following papers were referred, in concurrence :—

A communication from the State Engineer and Surveyor of the State of New York respecting the establishment of monuments to mark the boundary line between the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the State of New York. To the committee on Federal Relations.

Boundary line
between Massa-
chusetts and
New York.

Petition of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union for the passage of an amendment to the Constitution prohibiting the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage. To the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Constitutional
amendment,—
intoxicating
liquors.

Petition of the Old Colony Steamboat Company for authority to increase its capital stock. To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Old Colony
Steamboat Com-
pany.

A report of the Auditor on the order of the Legislature of last year as to whether the Commonwealth has been reimbursed by the United States for clothing furnished to members of the Ninth Regiment Massachusetts Volunteers, on June 11, 1861. To the committee on Military Affairs.

Ninth Regiment
Massachusetts
Volunteers.

At thirty-five minutes past two o'clock, adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, January 11, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Statement of Estimates.

Estimates of
appropriations.

A statement of estimates calling for appropriations for the several departments of the public service for the year 1888 was received from the Auditor of Accounts, and was referred to the committee on Finance.

Message from His Excellency the Governor.

State Normal
School at Fram-
ingham.

The following message was received from His Excellency the Governor, and was read and referred to the committee on Education and sent up for concurrence.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, BOSTON, Jan. 11, 1888.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives :

On the night of the 24th of December, 1887, one of the dormitories of the State Normal School, situated at Framingham, was seriously damaged by fire. In order to prevent further loss to the Commonwealth, which would be caused by leaving the remainder of the structure exposed to the storms of winter, I have directed the State Board of Education, which has charge of the school, to proceed to secure the protection of the damaged property.

I call the attention of the Legislature to these facts, that it may, without further delay than is absolutely necessary, make provision for the payment of the liabilities incurred in order to secure the necessary protection from further injury and waste, and also for the reconstruction of the building.

OLIVER AMES.

Petitions Presented.

Hitchcock Free
High School.

By Mr. Grosvenor of Ludlow, petition of the trustees of the Hitchcock Free High School in Brimfield for legislation to enable said corporation to increase the number of trustees, to hold real and personal property to an amount not exceeding \$200,000, and for other purposes. Referred to the committee on Education.

By Mr. Upham of Waltham, petition of the Mutual Boiler Insurance Company of Boston for legislation relative to fixing the contingent mutual liability of its members for the payment of losses and expenses. Referred to the committee on Insurance. Mutual Boiler Insurance Company.

By Mr. Woodward of Wakefield, petition of Peter Foley of Toronto, Canada, member of Company K, 28th Massachusetts Regiment of Volunteers of Milford, Mass., for money alleged to be due to him from the State. Referred to the committee on Military Affairs. Peter Foley of Toronto, Ca.

By Mr. Miller of Needham, petition of T. Fred Peabody and others for legislation concerning the water supply of the town of Needham. Referred to the committee on Water Supply, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct. Needham water supply.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Champlin of Chelsea, petition of the President of the Mass. Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals for the passage of more stringent laws against the fighting of dogs for sport and money. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Fighting of dogs for sport or money.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Barrett of Melrose, —

Ordered, That the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments consider the expediency of an amendment to the Constitution fixing therein the salaries of members of the General Court. Constitutional amendment, — salaries of members of and officers of the General Court.

On motion of Mr. Whitcher of Stoneham, —

Ordered, That the committee on Drainage be authorized to visit such places as they may deem expedient in the consideration of the matters before them. Committee on Drainage authorized to visit.

On motion of Mr. Fisk of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Drainage consider the expediency of establishing systems of surface drainage and sewerage disposal by general law. Surface drainage and sewerage disposal.

On motion of Mr. Milliken of Malden, —

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of requiring all exhibitors of collections of animals to have the same named by a reliable zoölogist, and the English as well as the scientific name placed on, above, or below the cage or standing-place of each. Collections of animals.

Secret ballot.

On motion of Mr. Hayes of Lynn, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of providing a secret ballot, and such legislation as shall guard against fraud and intimidation at the polls.

Committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

On motion of Mr. Warden of Waltham, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Charitable Institutions have authority to visit the lunatic hospitals and other charitable institutions of the Commonwealth.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Brookline police court.

On motion of Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of establishing a clerkship for the police court of Brookline.

Enforcement of liens upon petition.

On motion of Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending section 24 of chapter 192 of the Public Statutes providing for the enforcement of certain liens upon petition, that such petition may be brought in the county within which petitioner has his usual place of business as well as where he resides.

Registry of Deeds for the Southern District of Middlesex County.

On motion of Mr. Qua of Lowell, —

Ordered, That the committee on County Estimates consider the expediency of further legislation relative to the copying of certain records in the registry of deeds for the southern district of Middlesex County.

Papers from the Senate.

Inspector-General of Lumber, — grades of lumber.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of so revising and amending the Statutes that the salary of the Inspector-General of Lumber be fixed, and special grades of lumber and quantity measurements be provided for.

Municipal suffrage for women.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Woman Suffrage consider the expediency of legislation granting female citizens the right to vote in all city or town elections, and to hold city or town offices.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence : —

Boston, — Board of Health and City Registrar's Department.

Petition of the Board of Aldermen of the city of Boston for an act to consolidate the Board of Health

with the City Registrar's Department. To the committee on Cities.

Petition of Joseph Bennett for legislation authorizing the Old Colony Railroad to contract for the purchase, lease and operation of the Nantasket Beach Railroad. To the committee on Railroads.

Old Colony Railroad,—Nantasket Beach Railroad.

Petition of the Massachusetts Woman's Christian Temperance Union that female citizens may be allowed to vote in all city or town elections, and to hold city or town offices. To the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Municipal suffrage for women.

Taken from the Files of Last Year.

On motions of Mr. Barrett of Melrose, the message from the Governor transmitting an invitation from the State of Ohio to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to participate in the celebration commemorative of the termination of the first century of the settlement of Ohio was taken from the files of last year, and was referred to the committee on Federal Relations and sent up for concurrence.

Centennial celebration of the settlement of Ohio.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Dexter of Lowell, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for the compensation and mileage of the members of the Legislature, for the compensation of officers thereof, and for expenses in connection therewith.

Appropriation bill.

By Mr. Ware of Boston from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for the maintenance of the government for the present year.

Ibid.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

At eighteen minutes past two o'clock, adjourned.

THURSDAY, January 12, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Petitions Presented.*Boston and
Lowell Railroad
Corporation.

By Mr. Adams of Lowell, petition of the Boston and Lowell Railroad Corporation that savings banks may be allowed to invest in the bonds and notes of said corporation. Referred to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Wilmington.

By Mr. Trull of Tewksbury, petition of the town of Wilmington that said town may be set off from the judicial district of the First District Court of Eastern Middlesex and annexed to the Fourth District Court of Eastern Middlesex. Referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Bridgman &
Smyth Com-
pany.

By Mr. Milliken of Malden, petition of the Bridgman & Smyth Company for a change of name.

Delta Upsilon
Society of Wil-
liams College.

By Mr. Kearn of North Adams, petition of Milton B. Whitney and others for an act of incorporation as the "Delta Upsilon" Society of Williams College.

Severally referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Hyde Park
Street Railway
Company.

By Mr. Wyman of Hyde Park, petition of the Hyde Park Street Railway Company for authority to issue coupon or registered bonds to an amount not exceeding \$100,000, and to secure the same by a mortgage on its road, franchise and property. Referred to the committee on Street Railways.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Winchester.

By Mr. McCall of Winchester, petition of the selectmen of Winchester that said town have authority to elect a board of commissioners of public burial grounds. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Orders.

' On motion of Mr. Gile of Worcester, —

Constitutional
amendment, —
limit to sessions
of the General
Court.

Ordered, That the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments consider the expediency of providing for a limit to sessions of the General Court by an amendment to the Constitution.

On motion of Mr. Walworth of Newton, —

Ordered, That the committee on Expediting Legislative Business consider the expediency of fixing an early date for reports of committees on matters which have been before previous legislatures, and can be properly acted upon at once.

Expediting legislative business,—reports of committees.

On motion of Mr. McCooley of Blackstone, —

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of legislation to regulate the employment of labor by railroad corporations on the Lord's day.

Employment of labor by railroad corporations on the Lord's day.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of legislation to regulate the employing of male employees by manufacturing, mechanical and mercantile firms, and railroad corporations, where said employees are required to labor more than ten hours per day.

Employment of male employees by manufacturing, etc., corporations more than ten hours a day.

On motion of Mr. Wadlin of Reading, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salaries paid in the Bureau of Statistics of Labor.

Bureau of Statistics of Labor.

On motion of Mr. Ferry of Springfield, —

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of such legislation as will promote the speedy and entire abolition of grade crossings by railroads.

Abolition of grade crossings.

On motion of Mr. Story of Gloucester, —

Ordered, That the committee on Harbors and Public Lands be authorized to visit such places as they may deem necessary in the discharge of their duties.

Committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. James Donovan of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of such legislation as will permit the opening of barber shops within reasonable hours on the Lord's day.

Opening of barber shops on the Lord's day.

On motion of Mr. Wharton of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Rules consider the expediency of amending the rules of the House which relate to the printing and distribution of the journal and calendar so as to provide that the journal of the House be printed daily and distributed among the representatives,

Printing and distribution of House journal daily.

and of such other amendments to the rules as they may from time to time deem necessary.

On motion of Mr. Barrett of Melrose, —

Inspection of
private schools.

Ordered, That the State Board of Education be requested to transmit to this House the facts bearing upon the inspection of private schools under the direction of the board, whether such inspection is general, and whether, in its opinion, the present laws are sufficient to secure such an inspection as will secure that these schools are maintained up to the requirements imposed by law upon public schools of similar grade.

On motion of Mr. Kearn of North Adams, —

Hour of meeting
on Friday.

Ordered, That when the House adjourns to-day it be to meet to-morrow at 11 o'clock A. M.

Introduced on Leave.

Treasurer
authorized to
borrow money.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, a Resolve authorizing the Treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of revenue. The resolve was read and, on motion of Mr. Ware, the rules were suspended and the resolve was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed and sent at once to the Senate for concurrence, Rule 15 having also been suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Taken from the Table.

Collection of
taxes.

On motions of Mr. Floyd of Winthrop, the Bill to amend and codify the existing laws relating to the collection of taxes, pursuant to a Resolve of the year 1887, was taken from the table and was referred to the committee on Taxation, and sent up for concurrence.

Report of Board
of Registration
in Pharmacy.

On motions of Mr. Wilkinson of Cambridge, the report of the Board of Registration in Pharmacy, for the year ending Oct. 1, 1887, was taken from the table and was referred to the committee on Public Health, and sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Tuberculosis
among neat
stock.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Agriculture investigate and report such legislation as may be necessary to prevent the spread of, and exterminate, the disease among neat stock known as tuberculosis.

A Bill relating to the printing and distribution of the annual reports of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor; and a

Reports of
Bureau of
Statistics of
Labor.

Resolve providing for reprinting parts of the annual reports of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor,

Severally introduced, on leave, in the Senate, were severally read and referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Printing.

A Bill to establish the salary of the Secretary of the Civil Service Commissioners, introduced, on leave, in the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on Public Service.

Salary of Secre-
tary of Civil
Service Com-
missioners.

The House order that the Clerks of the two branches of the Legislature be requested to procure a suitable number of copies of the "Massachusetts Red Book" for the use of the members, adopted by the House and sent up for concurrence, came down from the Senate referred to the committee on Printing, in which reference the House concurred.

"Massachusetts
Red Book."

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence :—

Petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others for an annual appropriation for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association, to aid firemen injured while in discharge of their duties. To the committee on Insurance.

Massachusetts
State Firemen's
Association.

Petition of the Lynn Electric Lighting Company for authority to supply gas; also for authority to purchase or lease the Lynn Gas Light Company, or to lease its own works to said gas company, or to consolidate with said company, and for a change of its corporate name.

Lynn Electric
Lighting Com-
pany.

Petition of the Lynn Gas Light Company that it may be authorized to furnish electricity for light and power within the territory embraced in its charter.

Lynn Gas Light
Company.

Severally to the committee on Manufactures.

Petition of Samuel Wells and others for the incorporation of the "State Street Exchange." To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

State Street
Exchange.

Petition of the city of Cambridge that Fresh Pond in said city may be ceded to it as a storage reservoir, and for authority to take, by purchase or otherwise, lands around said pond for the protection thereof; also for authority to issue additional water bonds. To the committee on Water Supply, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Cambridge.

Changes in Committees and Monitor.

Changes in
committees and
monitor.

Mr. Brewer of Boston, at his request, was excused from serving on the committee on Banks and Banking, and Mr. Atherton of Saugus was appointed in his place.

Mr. Russell of Somerville, at his request, was excused from serving on the committee on Election Laws, and Mr. Monahan of Boston was appointed in his place.

Mr. Seavey of Medway, at his request, was excused from serving on the committee on Labor, and Mr. Russell of Somerville was appointed in his place.

Mr. Friend of Gloucester, at his request, was excused from serving on the committee on Public Health, and Mr. Seavey of Medway was appointed in his place.

Mr. Barrett of Melrose, at his request, was excused from serving on the committee on Woman Suffrage, and Mr. Gracey of Salem was appointed in his place.

Mr. Quincy of Quincy, at his request, was excused from serving on the committee on Woman Suffrage, and Mr. Keane of Holyoke was appointed in his place.

Mr. McEttrick of Boston was excused from serving as monitor of the 5th division, and Mr. Calnan of Boston was appointed to fill the vacancy.

Reports of Committees.

Appropriation
bill.

By Mr. Hartwell of Ayer, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for printing and binding public documents, purchase of paper, publishing laws, and preparing tables and indexes relating to the Statutes.

Ibid.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for the maintenance of the judicial departments of the government during the present year.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
Day.

The Bill making appropriations for the compensation and mileage of members of the Legislature, for the compensation of officers thereof, and for expenses in connec-

tion therewith, was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill making appropriations for the maintenance of the government for the present year was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. On motion of Mr. Ware of Boston, the rules were suspended and the bill was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence, Rule 15 having been suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

At thirty-six minutes past two o'clock, adjourned.

FRIDAY, January 13, 1888.

Met according to adjournment, at eleven o'clock A. M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report Received.

The annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons on the Massachusetts State Prison, with the annual report of the warden and other officers of the institution, for the year ending Sept. 30, 1887, was received, and was referred to the committee on Prisons and sent up for concurrence.

Report of
Commissioners
of Prisons on
the State Prison.

Petitions Referred.

The following petitions were received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, received in his department under the requirements of chapter 24 of the Acts of the year 1885, and were severally referred to the committee on Street Railways and sent up for concurrence : —

Petition of Thomas J. Mayall for authority to construct an elevated railroad in Boston.

Thomas J.
Mayall, —
elevated rail-
road in Boston.
Boston Elevated
Railway Com-
pany.

Petition of Frank A. Bartholomew and others for incorporation as the Boston Elevated Railway Company.

Petition of the Meigs Elevated Railway Company for an amendment of its charter relative to the amount of capital stock, and for other purposes.

Meigs Elevated
Railway Com-
pany.

Petition of S. B. Hinckley and others for an act of incorporation as the Boston and Suburban Elevated Railway Company.

Boston and
Suburban Ele-
vated Railway
Company.

Petitions Presented.

Chestnut Hill
Real Estate
Association of
Marlborough.

By Mr. Brigham of Marlborough, petition of Thomas Rice and others for an act of incorporation under the name of the Chestnut Hill Real Estate Association of Marlborough. Referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Salary of clerk
of Second Dis-
trict Court of
Eastern Mid-
dlesex.

By Mr. Warden of Waltham, petition of A. O. Delano, clerk of the Second District Court of Eastern Middlesex, for an increase of salary. Referred to the committee on Public Service.

Abington water
bonds.

By Mr. Pratt of Abington, petition of the water commissioners of the town of Abington for authority to issue additional water bonds. Referred to the committee on Water Supply, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Orders.

Deposits in
savings banks,—
wage-workers.

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, —
Ordered, That the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of legislation requiring of savings banks a system of accounts, and the keeping of a record of deposits and of certain facts pertaining to depositors, so that a comprehensive knowledge may be obtained of the amount and sums deposited by the wage-workers of the State.

Intoxicating
liquors.

On motion of Mr. Milliken of Malden, —
Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of amending chapter 100 of the Public Statutes as follows: In section 20, and the fourth line thereof, after the word "owner," add "or agent"; and also amend said section as follows: "whether such owner or agent resides within the jurisdiction of such court or not."

Ibid.

On motion of the same gentleman, —
Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of amending section 9 of chapter 101 of the Public Statutes by making all persons therein named principals, as in section 7 of said chapter.

On motion of Mr. Warden of Waltham, —

Ordered, That the committee on Printing consider the expediency of furnishing the members of the Senate and House of Representatives with a copy of the Official Gazette and State House Directory.

On motion of Mr. Rugg of New Bedford, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of amending section 3 of chapter 32 of the Public Statutes, relative to physicians furnishing for registration death-certificates, by striking out in said section the words “ within fifteen days after the decease of such person.”

On motion of Mr. Gordon of New Bedford, —

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider whether any further legislation is necessary or expedient to regulate the crossing of railroads by street railways.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider whether any legislation is necessary or expedient to prevent acquiring rights of way across railroads by prescription.

On motion of Mr. Gracey of Salem, —

Ordered, That the committee on Towns consider the expediency of legislation providing that no town of this Commonwealth shall be divided except on petition to the General Court of a majority of the legal voters of said town present and voting at the annual town meeting, notice of said vote having been given in the call for said meeting and published at least three times in three papers of the town or county in which such vote is to be taken not less than two months previous to said town meeting.

On motion of Mr. Dresser of Medford, —

Ordered, That the committee on Street Railways be authorized to visit such places as they may deem necessary in the discharge of their duties.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending existing law, so as to prevent lottery companies organized in other States from doing business in this Commonwealth, and to prohibit any District Attorney from suppressing or placing on file any indictment for such offence.

On motion of Mr. Colby of Boston, —

Partition of real
estate among
joint tenants or
tenants in
common.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending the law that the Supreme Judicial Court and the Superior Courts may have the power, in one action or proceeding, to decree the partition, among joint tenants or tenants in common, of real estate lying in different counties.

On motion of Mr. Carpenter of Brookline. —

Erection of
buildings in
towns of ten
thousand or
more inhabi-
tants.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending the Public Statutes so that in all towns of the Commonwealth which have ten thousand population and upwards, the selectmen of said towns may establish proper regulations and rules for the erection of all buildings.

Papers from the Senate.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
minors.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of making it a criminal offence to allow minors to loiter on the premises where intoxicating liquors are sold.

New State
House.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on State House consider the expediency of acquiring for State purposes any land adjoining the present State House grounds, or elsewhere, and of the erection of a new State House, or of any new building or buildings thereon, or of the remodelling and alteration of the present State House for the better accommodation of the State departments.

Examination of
securities in
hands of
Treasurer.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Expenditures examine into the condition of the securities in the hands of the Treasurer and Receiver-General, and report on the condition of the same.

Committee on
Railroads.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Railroads be authorized to visit such places as they may deem necessary in the discharge of their duties.

Committee on
Roads and
Bridges.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Roads and Bridges be authorized to visit such places as in their judgment may become necessary in the proper discharge of their duties.

Committee on
State House.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on State House be authorized to visit such places as they may deem necessary in the discharge of their duties.

A Bill concerning the State Library, introduced, on leave, in the Senate, was read and referred, in concurrence, to the committee on the Library. State Library.

A Resolve in favor of the widow of the late William H. Griffith, introduced, on leave, in the Senate, was read and referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Expenditures. William H. Griffith.

Notice was received from the Senate that Mr. Sprague of Suffolk was, at his request, excused from serving on the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments, and Mr. Ladd of Worcester was appointed to fill the vacancy. Change in committee.

A Bill to provide additional clerical assistance for the General Court, reported on a bill, introduced, on leave, in the Senate, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and, on motion of Mr. Parkman of Boston, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed in concurrence. Clerical assistance for the General Court.

A petition of the Supreme Council of the Royal Arcanum for authority to hold its annual meeting in the provinces of the Dominion of Canada and in the District of Columbia was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Insurance. Supreme Council of the Royal Arcanum.

Taken from the Files of Last Year.

On motion of Mr. Rugg of New Bedford, the Bill to further regulate the sale of goods, wares or merchandise by public auction, was taken from the files of last year, and was referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Sale of goods, etc., by public auction.

Orders of the Day.

Bills:

Making appropriations for printing and binding public documents, purchase of paper, publishing laws and preparing tables and indexes relating to the Statutes; and Orders of the Day.

Making appropriations for the maintenance of the judicial departments of the government during the present year;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill making appropriations for the compensation and mileage of members of the Legislature, for the compensation of officers thereof, and for expenses in connection therewith was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

At twenty-nine minutes past eleven o'clock, adjourned.

MONDAY, January 16, 1888.

Met according to adjournment, at two o'clock P. M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Taken from the Table.

Report of
Adjutant-
General.

On motions of Mr. Bartlett of Montague, the annual report of the Adjutant-General of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, for the year ending Dec. 31, 1887, was taken from the table and was referred to the committee on Military Affairs, and sent up for concurrence.

Petitions Presented.

Hanson, — ale-
wife fisheries in
North River.

By Mr. Turner of South Scituate, petition of the fish committee of the town of Hanson for amendment of section 3, chapter 350, of the Acts of the year 1853, concerning alewife fisheries in North River. Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Harrell Manu-
facturing
Company.

By Mr. Gile of Worcester, petition of J. J. Warren for a change of the name of the Harrell Manufacturing Company to the J. J. Warren Manufacturing Company. Referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

James Hickey.

By Mr. Quincy of Quincy, petition of James Hickey for the payment to him of a bounty for enlistment and service in the war of the rebellion. Referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

Massachusetts
School for
Feeble-Minded.

By Mr. Warden of Waltham, petition of the trustees of the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded for an appropriation of \$200,000 for the erection of buildings on the estate recently purchased for the school at Waltham. Referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Gile of Worcester, petition of George H. Harlow, assistant register of probate and insolvency at Worcester, for an increase of salary. Referred to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Salary of assistant register of probate and insolvency at Worcester.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Bartlett of Montague,—

Ordered, That the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments consider the expediency of so amending the Constitution as to provide for biennial elections and biennial sessions of the Legislature.

Biennial elections and biennial sessions.

On motion of Mr. Walworth of Newton,—

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of prohibiting by law the payment of poll-taxes by political parties.

Payment of poll-taxes by political parties.

On motion of Mr. Quincy of Quincy,—

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of amending chapter 103 of the Acts of the year 1887, entitled “An Act to secure proper sanitary provisions in factories and workshops,” so as to require owners of buildings to provide such sanitary provisions, and so as to make such Act apply to all factories and workshops, to mercantile establishments and to any other places where persons are employed.

Sanitary provisions in factories, workshops, etc.

On motion of Mr. Woodward of Wakefield,—

Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of providing the officers of Companies C and G, Sixth Infantry, M. V. M., with uniforms and equipments, at the expense of the Commonwealth, to replace those recently destroyed by fire in their armory in Lowell.

Companies C and G, Sixth Infantry, M. V. M.

On motion of Mr. Hall of Taunton,—

Ordered, That the committee on Prisons consider the expediency of so amending chapter 447 of the Acts of the year 1887 as to permit the employment of prisoners under the piece-price system.

Employment of prisoners under the piece-price system.

On motion of Mr. Manning of Worcester,—

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Commonwealth be requested to forward a statement, in print, showing the result of the returns made under section 5 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, relating to the vote upon granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors in the several

Returns of votes upon the liquor question, etc.

cities and towns, together with a statement of the number of licenses of each class issued, and the amount received for the same by classes, and the number revoked.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, —

Conduct of business in civil cases in the municipal, police and district courts.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of establishing by law uniform rules for the arrangement and conduct of business in civil cases in the municipal, police and district courts of the Commonwealth.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Commissioners to examine claims of creditors.

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of so amending section 2, chapter 137, Public Statutes, that the commissioners therein provided for may be appointed by the Courts of Probate for other reasons than that the estate of a person deceased will probably be insufficient for the payment of his debts.

On motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester, —

Masters in chancery and commissioners of insolvency, — poor debtors.

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of legislation abolishing the jurisdiction of masters in chancery and commissioners of insolvency over poor debtor cases, and providing a mode of procedure with reference to poor debtor matters.

On motion of Mr. Symonds of Salem, —

Keystone bill files for the use of the House.

Ordered, That the committee on Finance consider the expediency of the Sergeant-at-Arms furnishing the improved Keystone bill files for the use of the House.

Introduced on Leave.

Commitments to insane hospitals.

By Mr. Eames of Lawrence, a Bill concerning persons committed to insane hospitals. Read and referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, and sent up for concurrence.

Dissolution of attachments by giving bond.

By Mr. Slocum of Newton, a Bill relative to dissolving attachments by giving bond. Read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Papers from the Senate.

Committee on Towns.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Towns be authorized to visit such places as they may deem necessary in the proper discharge of their duties.

A Resolution concerning an International Court of Arbitration was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Federal Relations.

International
Court of Arbitration.

Taken from the Files of Last Year.

On motions of Mr. Hinchcliffe of Lawrence, the petition of the mayor of Lawrence for legislation to authorize the Essex county commissioners to pay from the treasury of Essex County such sums of money as they may deem just and equitable to indemnify the city of Lawrence in part for expenses incurred in rebuilding certain bridges was taken from the files of last year, and was referred to the committee on Cities and sent up for concurrence.

County commissioners of Essex County, — Lawrence.

Report of a Committee.

By Mr. Wharton of Boston, from the committee on Rules on the part of the House, on an order relative to amending the rules of the House which relate to the printing and distribution of the journal and calendar, etc., in part, recommending that Rule 11 be amended by adding at the end thereof the following: "And shall cause the same to be printed daily," and that Rule 13 be amended by striking out in the third and fourth lines thereof the following words, "followed by a brief minute of the preliminary proceedings of the previous day." Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Wharton.

Rules of the House, — printing the journal daily.

Bill Enacted and Resolve Passed.

An engrossed Bill to provide additional clerical assistance for the General Court, (which originated in the Senate), was passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Bill enacted and resolve passed.

An engrossed Resolve authorizing the Treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of revenue (which originated in the House), was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

*Orders of the Day.***Bills :**

Orders of the
Day.

Making appropriations for printing and binding public documents, purchase of paper, publishing laws, and preparing tables and indexes relating to the Statutes ; and

Making appropriations for the maintenance of the judicial departments of the government during the present year ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

At twenty minutes past two o'clock, adjourned.

TUESDAY, January 17, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Pratt of Abington, petition of David B. Gurney and others for incorporation as the Whitman Savings Bank. Whitman Savings Bank.

By Mr. Quincy of Quincy, petition of Robert Treat Paine and others for an act of incorporation as the Workingmen's Loan Association. Workingmen's Loan Association.

Severally referred to the committee on Banks and Banking.

By Mr. Leary of Boston, petition of the president of the Common Council of the city of Boston for such alteration of the statutes as shall transfer certain powers now exercised by the Board of Aldermen to the Common Council of that city. Referred to the committee on Cities. Boston, — transfer of certain powers from Board of Aldermen to Common Council.

By Mr. Slocum of Newton, petition of the trustees of the Armenia College Fund for a change of name. Trustees of the Armenia College Fund.

By Mr. James Donovan of Boston, petition of C. W. Emerson and others that the medical college of the American Health Society have authority to confer medical degrees. Medical College of American Health Society.

By Mr. Wadlin of Reading, petition of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology for aid from the Commonwealth. Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

By the same gentleman, petition of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology for leave to hold additional real and personal estate. Ibid.

Severally referred to the committee on Education.

By Mr. O'Neil of Boston, petition of the president of the Common Council of the city of Boston for legislation relative to establishing in this Commonwealth the system of voting known as the Australian system, that ballots be printed at the public expense and distributed by a public officer. Referred to the committee on Election Laws. Australian system of voting.

Standish Monument Association.

By Mr. Hatch of Marshfield, petition of the Standish Monument Association for aid from the Commonwealth in finishing the Standish monument. Referred to the committee on Expenditures.

Catching of lobsters in Barnstable Harbor.

By Mr. Crowell of Dennis, petition of T. B. Goss and others for legislation forbidding the catching of lobsters by pots or traps in Barnstable Harbor between its head waters and the Red Buoy. Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Employment of minors and women in mercantile establishments.

By Mr. Wilkinson of Cambridge, petition of E. E. Spencer and others for legislation to prevent the employment of minors and women in mercantile establishments more than ten hours in any one day. Referred to the committee on Labor.

Workingmen's Building Association.

By Mr. Quincy of Quincy, petition of Robert Treat Paine and others for an act of incorporation as the Workingmen's Building Association. Referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Exempting laborers in city of Boston from provisions of the Civil Service Act.

By Mr. James Donovan of Boston, petition of the mayor of the city of Boston for an amendment of the Civil Service Law so as to exempt from its general provisions the common laborers of the departments of the said city. Referred to the committee on Public Service.

Providence and Worcester Railroad.

By Mr. Gile of Worcester, petition of the Providence and Worcester Railroad Company for leave to increase its capital stock. Referred to the committee on Railroads.

Fairhaven Water Company.

By Mr. Rounsevell of Freetown, petition of Orson G. Stanley and others to be incorporated as the Fairhaven Water Company. Referred to the committee on Water Supply.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Boston, — daily session of magistrates at police stations.

By Mr. E. J. Donovan of Boston, petition of the city of Boston for legislation relative to requiring a daily session of one magistrate at each police station, for the disposition of all criminal cases. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Quincy of Quincy, —

Attendance of children at day or evening schools.

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of requiring children who are unable to

read and write in the English language to attend a day or evening school for twenty weeks annually until they reach the age of sixteen years.

On motion of Mr. Wales of Attleborough, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of so amending chapter 264 of the Acts of 1886 as to provide for a discontinuance of precinct voting in towns where it is deemed desirable. Discontinuance of precinct voting in towns.

On motion of Mr. Provin of Westfield, —

Ordered, That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of amending chapter 13 of the Public Statutes relative to the returns for taxation of insurance companies. Returns for taxation of insurance companies.

On motion of Mr. Ferry of Springfield, —

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of repealing the law which now makes compulsory the weekly payment of wages by corporations. Weekly payments.

On motion of Mr. Quincy of Quincy, —

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of extending any provisions of law relating to the employment of children under fourteen years of age to children under sixteen years of age who cannot read and write in the English language. Employment of children.

On motion of Mr. Rugg of New Bedford, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of legislation providing that the Board of Health of any city or town in the Commonwealth shall furnish on application blanks to be filled by physicians in making returns to the Board of Health of contagious diseases ; also that compensation shall be made for such returns. Boards of health, — blanks for physicians for returns of contagious diseases.

On motion of Mr. Gunn of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Printing consider the expediency of the Sergeant-at-Arms publishing a daily bulletin of the hearings assigned before the various committees of the Legislature. Daily bulletin of committee hearings.

On motion of Mr. Provin of Westfield, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of amending section 5 of chapter 214 of the Acts of the year 1887 relative to the expenditure for clerical work in the Insurance Department. Expenditure for clerical work in the Insurance Department.

Exemption of laborers in city of Boston from the provisions of the Civil Service Act.

On motion of Mr. James Donovan of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of so amending chapter 320 of the Acts of the year 1884 relating to the civil service of the Commonwealth that the same shall not apply to laborers in the service of cities.

Extra clerical assistance for the Central District Court of Worcester.

On motion of Mr. Carroll of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of such legislation as will authorize the clerk of the Central District Court of Worcester to employ at the expense of the county such extra clerical assistance as may be necessary.

Taxation of incomes.

On motion of Mr. Woodward of Wakefield, —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of amending the law relating to the taxation of incomes by changing the amount to be exempt; also of making the income of all persons, from whatever source, taxable alike, instead of "from a profession, trade or employment," as at present.

Taxation of the property of literary and other societies or institutions.

On motion of Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of so amending paragraph 3 of section 5 of chapter 11 of the Public Statutes as to do away with the distinction there made in the taxation of the property of literary and other societies, or institutions organized under special charters, and those organized under the general laws.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Courts not to charge juries as to matters of fact.

On motion of Mr. Wharton of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending or repealing section 5 of chapter 153 of the Public Statutes, which provides that the courts shall not charge juries with respect to matters of fact, but may state the testimony and the law.

Executors and administrators, — recovery of damages for death caused by negligence or carelessness.

On motion of Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of such legislation as will enable the executor or administrator of a deceased person, whose death was caused by reason of the negligence or carelessness of another, to recover damages therefor for the use and benefit of the surviving husband, wife, children, or next of

kin of such deceased person, and as will provide for the distribution of the sum so recovered among the persons named.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Dexter of Lowell, a Resolve in favor of the Massachusetts General Hospital. Mass. General Hospital.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, a Resolve concerning the Commonwealth's Flats at South Boston. Commonwealth's Flats at South Boston.

Severally read and referred to the committee on Finance.

By Mr. Collison of Boston, a Bill relating to elections. Elections.
Read and referred to the committee on Election Laws and sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of providing that places where intoxicating liquor is sold shall be closed on any or all legal holidays. Closing liquor saloons on legal holidays.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of legislation relating to the disposition of liquor license fees. Disposition of liquor license fees.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Printing consider the expediency of amending the laws concerning the printing and distribution of the Manual for the General Court. Legislative Manual.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Water Supply be authorized to visit such places as they may deem necessary in the discharge of their duties. Committee on Water Supply, —authorized to visit.

The following petitions were severally referred, in concurrence : —

Petition of Henry B. Peirce and others for incorporation as the Union Trust and Investment Company. To the committee on Banks and Banking. Union Trust and Investment Company.

Petition of Elijah A. Morse and others for an amendment to the present law so as to forbid the sale of alcoholic liquors as a beverage on legal holidays. To the committee on the Liquor Law. Sale of alcoholic liquors on legal holidays.

Reports of Committees.

Appropriation bill. By Mr. Allen of Woburn, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Industrial School for Girls.

Ibid. By Mr. Kimball of Northampton, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for the salaries and expenses of the State District Police Force.

Ibid. By Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for compensation and mileage of officers and men of the Volunteer Militia, and for other expenses of the military department.

Henry Le B. Willis. By Mr. Bottum of Northampton, from the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill to confirm certain acts done by Henry Le B. Willis of Colorado Springs, in the State of Colorado, as commissioner for Massachusetts.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Widow of William H. Griffith. By Mr. Ware of Boston, from the committee on Expenditures, that the Resolve in favor of the widow of the late William H. Griffith ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Selectmen of Winchester,—commissioners of burial grounds. By Mr. Wharton of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the selectmen of Winchester that said town have authority to elect a board of commissioners of public burial grounds. Read, and, on motions of Mr. Wharton, the rule was suspended, and the report was recommitted, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given, without expense to the Commonwealth, as the committee shall direct.

At twenty minutes past two o'clock, adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, January 18, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Laid on the Table.

The report of the joint special committee of the General Court of 1887 on the employment and schooling of children was received and was laid on the table. On motion of Mr. Quincy of Quincy, Mr. McEttrick of Boston, of the committee, who dissented from the report, was allowed until February 1 to present his views in writing.

Employment
and schooling of
children.

The annual report of the Attorney-General of the Commonwealth was received and was laid on the table.

Report of Attorney-General.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Thompson of Brockton, petition of the city of Brockton for the passage of an act empowering said city to establish a system of drainage within its limits. Referred to the committee on Drainage.

Brockton drainage.

By Mr. Robinson of Southborough, petition of Mrs. C. D. Swett and others that women be allowed to vote on the question of licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors. Referred to the committee on the Liquor Law.

Women voting
on license
question.

By Mr. O'Mealey of Boston, petition of the President and Secretary of the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy for an amendment of the charter of said corporation relative to the election and duties of its officers. Referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Massachusetts
College of
Pharmacy.

By Mr. Brigham of Marlborough, petition of Wm. N. Davenport and others for an increase of salary of the clerk of the Police Court of Marlborough. Referred to the committee on Public Service.

Salary of clerk
of Marlborough
police court.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Gibson of Chicopee, petition of Clara D. Lufkin for authority to appropriate to other uses an ancient burial place in Chicopee. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Clara D. Lufkin
— burial ground
in Chicopee.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Smith of Athol, —

Recording
mortgages of
real property.

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation requiring that mortgages of real property shall be recorded within a fixed time from the date thereof, to be valid against any person other than the parties thereto.

On motion of Mr. Carman of Fall River, —

Employment of
minors and
women in
manufacturing
establishments.

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of amending section 4 of chapter 74 of the Public Statutes in relation to the employment of women and minors in manufacturing establishments, by striking out after the word "exceed" the word "sixty" and inserting in place thereof the words "fifty-eight."

On motion of Mr. Warden of Waltham, —

Liquor licenses.

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of limiting by law the number of places where licenses may be granted to sell intoxicating liquors in towns and cities voting in favor of such licenses.

On motion of Mr. Floyd of Wintthrop, —

Sureties on
liquor license
bonds.

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of providing by law that no person shall become surety on more than three bonds for persons licensed to sell intoxicating liquors for the same term.

On motion of Mr. Smith of Athol, —

Liquor licenses.

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of providing by law that the provisions of chapter 216 of the Acts of the year 1885 shall be added to the conditions upon which licenses to sell intoxicating liquors are granted.

On motion of Mr. Haggerty of Southbridge, —

Hawkers and
peddlers.

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of amending section 8 of chapter 68 of the Public Statutes in relation to granting special State licenses to hawkers and peddlers.

On motion of Mr. Bartlett of Montague, —

State aid for
widows and
minor children
of soldiers.

Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of amending chapter 30 of the Public Statutes so as to provide for the payment of State aid to widows and minor children of soldiers who may be in necessitous circumstances, notwithstanding it cannot be

proven that said soldiers died of disease contracted while in service; also the repeal of so much of said chapter as relates to date of marriage.

On motion of Mr. Griswold of Greenfield, —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of legislation imposing a tax on collateral inheritances.

Taxation of collateral inheritances.

On motion of Mr. Rugg of New Bedford, —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of legislation fixing the custody of the valuation books of the assessors of the cities and towns of this State, and also establishing the rights of the public to examine said books.

Custody of assessors' books in cities and towns.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Hall of Taunton, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation that will more clearly define the newspaper in which the notices of foreclosures of mortgages shall be published.

Newspapers in which foreclosures of mortgages shall be published.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of changing sections 6 and 7 of chapter 175 of the Public Statutes so that a greater uniformity may be secured in the security given on appeals in the summary process for the recovery of lands.

Uniformity in security given on appeals in process for the recovery of lands.

On motion of Mr. Gile of Worcester. —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation requiring conditional contracts for the sale of personal property to be recorded as mortgages of personal property.

Conditional contracts for sale of personal property to be recorded.

On motion of Mr. Qua of Lowell, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of additional legislation for the better protection of titles to real estate acquired by sales on execution.

Protection of titles to real estate acquired by sales on execution.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of additional legislation defining the rights and remedies of persons interested in estates at will.

Estates at will.

On motion of Mr. Holman of Clinton, —

Liens for materials furnished for building purposes.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending the lien law so as to provide protection to persons furnishing material for building purposes.

On motion of Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, —

Attorneys-at-law.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of such legislation as will prohibit persons not regularly admitted members of the bar from representing themselves by means of cards, signs, advertisement, letter heads, or other written or printed devices to be attorneys or counsellors-at-law.

On motion of Mr. Barrett of Melrose, —

Management of cemeteries in towns.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation conferring upon towns the right to choose commissioners, who, subject to instructions from the town, shall have the management of its cemeteries and of funds held or appropriated for the same.

On motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester, —

Notices of executors and administrators.

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of legislation amending section 2 of chapter 132 of the Public Statutes and section 13 of chapter 134 of the Public Statutes so that the affidavits of the executor or administrator, or of the person employed by him, being filed and recorded with a copy of the notice in the registry of probate, shall be admitted as evidence of the time, place and manner of notice.

On motion of Mr. Griswold of Greenfield, —

Settlement of estates of deceased persons.

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of further legislation to facilitate and expedite the settlement of the estates of deceased persons.

Papers from the Senate.

Trustee process.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending chapter 183 of the Public Statutes so that an adverse claimant in trustee process may be entitled to judgment and execution for any sum of money found to be due such claimant.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of so amending clause 5, section 9 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes as to legalize the keeping of a public bar. Public bars.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on the Liquor Law inquire into the expediency of providing by law that no woman, or no person who is a minor, shall be employed in any capacity upon the premises where the sale of intoxicating liquor is the principal business carried on. Employment of women and minors where liquors are sold.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of securing a more perfect record of the volunteer officers and enlisted men who served during the war of the rebellion. Record of officers and men who served in the war.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Printing consider the expediency of causing a volume of the Special Laws to be printed under the direction of the Secretary of the Commonwealth. Printing special laws.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Printing consider the expediency of printing five hundred additional copies of the report of the State Board of Health on the protection of the purity of inland waters, for the use of said board. Additional copies of report of State Board of Health.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Fisheries and Game be authorized to visit such places as they may deem necessary in the discharge of their duties. Committee on Fisheries and Game authorized to visit.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence : —

Petition of the mayor of the city of Boston for the establishment of municipal voting districts in said city. City of Boston, — municipal voting districts.

Petition of the mayor of the city of Boston for the amendment of the charter of said city so that the number of members of the Common Council may be increased to seventy-four. Boston, — increase of members of Common Council.

Petition of the mayor of the city of Boston for legislation that will provide a salary for the several members of the Board of Aldermen of said city. Boston, — salaries for Board of Aldermen.

Petition of Albert C. Lynn and others of the Bunker Hill District for legislation relative to pensioning certain call-firemen of the fire department of the city of Boston. Boston, — pensioning certain call-firemen.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

Boston, — regimental armories.

Petition of the city of Boston for the passage of an act for the building of three regimental armories by the Commonwealth in said city.

Jacob O. Winchester.

Petition of Jacob O. Winchester for reimbursement of money paid by him for a substitute when drafted into the service of the United States, he having afterwards served in the navy from July 31, 1863, until the close of the war of the rebellion.

Severally to the committee on Military Affairs.

Grafton Centre Railroad Company.

Petition of the Grafton Centre Railroad Company for a change of name of said corporation. To the committee on Railroads.

Reports of Committees.

So much of the Registration Report as relates to libels for divorce.

By Mr. Bottum of Northampton, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, no legislation necessary, on so much of the forty-fifth Registration Report as relates to libels for divorce. Read, and, on motion of Mr. Bottum, the rule was suspended, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

By Mr. Henry of Fall River, from the committee on Insurance, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald of Boston and others for the passage of an act appropriating \$10,000 annually to the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association to aid firemen injured in the discharge of their duty, and recommending its reference to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, was read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

State House Directory.

By Mr. Gunn of Boston, from the committee on Printing, on an order, a Resolve relative to furnishing members of the Legislature with copies of the Official Gazette and State House Directory.

Massachusetts Red Book.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order, a Resolve relative to furnishing members of the Legislature with copies of the Massachusetts Red Book.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Reports of Bureau of Statistics of Labor.

By Mr. Lally of Milford, from the committee on Printing, that the Resolve providing for reprinting parts of the annual reports of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor, ought to pass. Referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Orders of the Day.

Bills :

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Industrial School for Girls ;

Orders of the Day.

Making appropriations for the salaries and expenses of the State district police force ;

Making appropriations for compensation and mileage of officers and men of the Volunteer Militia, and for other expenses of the military department ; and

To confirm certain acts done by Henry Le B. Wills of Colorado Springs, in the State of Colorado, as Commissioner for Massachusetts ; and the

Resolve in favor of the widow of the late William H. Griffith ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

At twenty-five minutes past two o'clock, adjourned.

THURSDAY, January 19, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Taken from the Table.*Employment
and schooling
of children.

On motion of Mr. Quincy of Quincy, the report of the joint special committee of the General Court of 1887, on the employment and schooling of children, was taken from the table. On further motions of the same gentleman, so much of the report as relates to labor, with the bill therein contained concerning the employment of children, was referred to the committee on Labor, and so much of the report as relates to education, with the bill therein contained "to amend chapter 47 of the Public Statutes concerning the attendance of the children in the schools," was referred to the committee on Education.

Sent up for concurrence.

*Report Received.*Report of Com-
missioners on
Inland Fish-
eries.

The report of the Commissioners on Inland Fisheries and Game for the year ending December 31, 1887, was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, and was referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game and sent up for concurrence.

*Introduced on Leave.*Allowances to
insolvent
debtors.

By Mr. Brown of Boston, a Bill to amend section ninety-nine of chapter one hundred and fifty-seven of the Public Statutes relating to allowances to insolvent debtors. Read and referred to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

*Petitions Presented.*City of Salem,—
tenure of office
of regular police
force.

By Mr. Berry of Salem, petition of the city of Salem that authority be granted so that members of the regular police force of said city may hold office during good behavior, subject to removal by the Board of Aldermen. Referred to the committee on Cities.

Salem,—terri-
torial limits for
the sale of intox-
icating liquors.

By Mr. Gracey of Salem, petition of the city of Salem asking for legislation to enable said city to establish territorial limits for the sale of intoxicating liquors. Referred to the committee on the Liquor Law.

By Mr. Symonds of Salem, petition of the Seamen's Widow and Orphan Association of Salem for authority to hold additional real and personal property to an amount not exceeding \$50,000. Referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Seamen's
Widow and
Orphan Asso-
ciation of Salem.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, petition of Charles A. De Courcy, Assistant District Attorney for the Eastern District, for an increase of salary.

Salary of Assist-
ant District-
Attorney for the
Eastern Dis-
trict.

By Mr. Hinchliffe of Lawrence, petition of the justice of the police court of Lawrence for an increase of his salary.

Salary of justice
of police court
of Lawrence.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Service.

By Mr. Nelson of Lakeville, petition of the Water Commissioners of the Middleborough Fire District for authority to issue additional bonds to the amount of \$25,000 for the purpose of extending their works.

Water Commis-
sioners of Mid-
dleborough Fire
District.

By Mr. Wharton of Boston, petition of the Vineyard Haven Water Company for authority to furnish the town of Cottage City with water.

Vineyard
Haven Water
Company,—
Cottage City
water supply

By Mr. Slocum of Newton, petition of the Water Board of Newton for authority to issue additional bonds for the purpose of extending the water works of said city.

Newton water
bonds.

Severally referred to the committee on Water Supply, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Milliken of Malden, petition of C. A. Bartol and others for the enactment of a law restricting the number of witnesses at executions for capital offences.

Witnesses at
executions for
capital offences.

By Mr. Temple of Colruin, petition of E. C. Hawkes that he may be paid his costs, and interest on award made him by the General Court for loss of swine and other damages caused by servants of the Commonwealth.

E. C. Hawkes.

By Mr. Quincy of Quincy, petition of Charlotte Smith, President of the Woman's National Industrial League, for legislation in relation to the proper conduct of intelligence offices.

Intelligence
offices.

Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Wharton of Boston, —

Electors of President and Vice-President of the United States.

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of creating a method of procedure, etc., for determining any contest or controversy concerning the appointment of all or any of the electors of the Commonwealth of President and Vice-President of the United States, and of passing such other legislation as may seem proper under the provisions of an Act of Congress entitled "An Act to fix the day for the meeting of the electors of President and Vice-President, and to provide for and regulate the counting of the votes for President and Vice-President, and the decision of questions arising thereon."

On motion of Mr. Warden of Waltham, —

Indigent and neglected children, — Juvenile offenders.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Charitable Institutions consider the expediency of so amending chapter 181 of the Acts of the year 1882 as to permit magistrates to provide for the children described in the third section thereof, irrespectively of their settlement; and repealing the several provisions of law requiring payment in certain cases for the maintenance of juvenile offenders.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, —

Foreclosure and redemption of mortgages.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending chapter 181 of the Public Statutes to modify the power of redemption by bill in equity after a sale has been notified under a power of sale mortgage.

On motion of Mr. Milliken of Malden, —

Disposition of bodies of criminals executed under the laws of the State.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing that the body of any criminal, duly executed under the laws of the Commonwealth, may be delivered for dissection to any public hospital or incorporated medical college in this Commonwealth.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Capital punishment.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing a more private and humane method of capital punishment.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing that no account of the details of any case of capital punishment shall be published in any newspaper, except the statement of the fact that the convict was, on the day specified, duly executed according to law, at the place named.

Publication of details of capital punishments.

On motion of Mr. Gile of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing for the compilation and index of the General Laws since the publication of the Public Statutes, and for the future annual publication of the same.

Supplement and index to the Public Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Quincy of Quincy, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of legislation to authorize judges of probate to license the sale of real estate to pay debts and legacies although the personal estate be sufficient in amount for such purpose.

Sales of real estate for the payment of debts and legacies.

The following order, offered by Mr. Lyman of Belcher-town, was considered : —

Ordered, That when the House adjourns to-day, it be to meet to-morrow at eleven o'clock A. M.

Hour of meeting.

Mr. Symonds of Salem moved to amend by inserting before the word "eleven" the words "half-past." The amendment prevailed and the order as amended was adopted.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Expediting Legislative Business consider the expediency of publishing a legislative bulletin of the hearings assigned before the various committees of the Legislature, and of such other announcements as they may deem necessary.

Daily bulletin of committee hearings.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing that the deputy sheriffs and constables in attendance as officers at the Superior Court in Suffolk County shall, while on duty in said court, wear uniforms to be designated by the sheriff of said county; and shall not be suspended or discharged except by consent of the chief justice and a majority of the justices of the said court.

Uniforms for Superior Court officers in Suffolk County.

Reduction of the
number of
liquor licenses.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of so amending the law as to reduce the places where intoxicating liquors may be sold in towns or cities voting "Yes" (under the present law) to one for each five hundred inhabitants.

Disposition of
cases for viola-
tion of liquor
laws.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of repealing chapter 359 of the Acts of the year 1885 relating to the disposition of cases for the violation of the laws relating to the sale of intoxicating liquors.

Board of Street
Railway Com-
missioners.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Street Railways consider the expediency of legislation establishing a board of Street Railway Commissioners; the said board, when created, to have the powers and duties relating to street railways now vested in the Board of Railroad Commissioners, and such other powers and duties as may be deemed expedient.

Stenographer
for committee
on Towns.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Towns be authorized to employ a stenographer, and to make such reports in print as may seem to the committee necessary or expedient.

List of pardons
for 1887.

The report of the pardons issued by the Governor, by and with the advice of the Executive Council, during the year 1887, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Prisons.

State Normal
School at
Framingham.

A Resolve relating to the damage occasioned by the burning of one of the buildings of the State Normal School at Framingham, and providing for the temporary accommodation of the pupils of said school, reported on a message of the Governor relating to the matter, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Worcester,
Nashua and
Rochester
Railroad.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence :—
Petition of the Worcester, Nashua and Rochester Railroad Company that saving banks and institutions for savings be authorized to invest in the bonds and notes of said company. To the committee on Banks and Banking.

Australian sys-
tem of voting.

Petition of Israel Charlton and others for the adoption of the method of voting known as the Australian system, so that the ballots may be printed at the public expense and distributed by a public officer. To the committee on Election Laws.

Petition of the trustees of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts for an appropriation of twenty thousand dollars to assist in defraying the expenses of supporting and maintaining the Home during the ensuing year. To the committee on Military Affairs.

Trustees of the
Soldiers' Home
in Massachu-
setts.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for certain educational expenses.

Appropriation
bill.

By Mr. Hartwell of Ayer, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for the Commonwealth's Flats Improvement Fund, and for the Prison and Hospital Loan Sinking Fund.

Ibid.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for incidental, contingent and miscellaneous expenses of the various departments and commissions of the Commonwealth.

Ibid.

By Mr. Gile of Worcester, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill in addition to an Act to incorporate the Proprietors of Forest Hills Cemetery.

Proprietors of
Forest Hills
Cemetery

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Dexter of Lowell, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve in favor of the Massachusetts General Hospital ought to pass.

Massachusetts
General Hos-
pital.

By Mr. Bennett of Springfield, from the same committee, that the Resolve concerning the Commonwealth's Flats at South Boston ought to pass.

Common-
wealth's Flats
at South Bos-
ton.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Salem to accept the deed of gift of Mary A. Bertram and others and to carry out the provisions thereof. Read, and, on motion of Mr. Wardwell, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second time and ordered to a third reading. Subsequently, the orders of the day having been disposed of, the bill was read a third

Mary A. Ber-
tram and others,
— Salem Public
Library.

time, and was passed to be engrossed and sent at once to the Senate for concurrence, Rule 15 having also been suspended, on further motion of Mr. Wardwell.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
Day.

Bills :

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Industrial School for Girls ;

Making appropriations for the salaries and expenses of the State District Police Force ;

Making appropriations for compensation and mileage of officers and men of the Volunteer Militia, and for other expenses of the military department ; and

To confirm certain acts done by Henry Le B. Wills of Colorado Springs, in the State of Colorado, as Commissioner for Massachusetts (amended as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading by substituting therefor a " Resolve to confirm the acts of Henry Le B. Wills as a Commissioner for Massachusetts in the State of Colorado ") ; and the

Resolve in favor of the widow of the late William H. Griffith ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

At twenty minutes before three o'clock, adjourned.

FRIDAY, January 20, 1888.

Met according to adjournment, at half-past eleven o'clock A. M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Lyman of Belchertown, petition of N. G. Clark and others for amendment to the act of incorporation of Mount Holyoke Female Seminary. Referred to the committee on Education.

Mount Holyoke
Female Semi-
nary.

By Mr. Wilkinson of Cambridge, petition of Henry R. Gardner and others for the adoption of the method of voting known as the Australian system, so that ballots may be printed at the public expense and distributed by a public officer. Referred to the committee on Election Laws.

Australian sys-
tem of voting.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, petition of John M. Berry for State loans to the people for building purposes. Referred to the committee on Labor.

John M. Berry,
— State loans to
the people for
building pur-
poses.

By Mr. Hayes of Lynn, petition of the Nahant Land Company for extension of its charter.

Nahant Land
Company.

By Mr. Sohler of Beverly, petition of Elisha Whitney of Beverly and eighteen others that they may be incorporated as the Beverly Fuel Society.

Beverly Fuel
Society.

Severally referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

By Mr. James Donovan of Boston, petition of Louis A. Kent, who served in the United States Navy during the war of the rebellion, that he may be credited to the quota of Massachusetts. Referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

Louis A. Kent.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, petition of Edward B. George, clerk of the Police Court of Haverhill, for an increase of salary. Referred to the committee on Public Service.

Salary of clerk
of Police Court
of Haverhill.

By Mr. Turner of South Scituate, petition of the town of South Scituate for a change of name. Referred to the committee on Towns.

South Scituate.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. James Donovan of Boston, —

Registrars of
voters of Bos-
ton, — voting
lists.

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of requiring the registrars of voters of the city of Boston to post the voting lists in at least three conspicuous places in every precinct of every ward of said city.

On motion of Mr. Hartwell of Ayer, —

Sale of alcohol.

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of so amending chapter 100 of the Public Statutes as to further restrict the sale of alcohol.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Committee on
Agriculture
authorized to
visit.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Agriculture be authorized to visit the Massachusetts Agricultural College at Amherst.

Committee on
Education
authorized to
visit.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Education be authorized to visit such places as they may deem necessary in the discharge of their duties.

Ninth Regiment
Massachusetts
Volunteers.

The report of the committee on Military Affairs, no legislation necessary, on the report of the Auditor on the order of the Legislature of last year as to whether the Commonwealth has been reimbursed by the United States for clothing furnished to members of the Ninth Regiment Massachusetts Volunteers, on June 11, 1861, was recommended, in concurrence, with instructions to hear the original petitioners.

The following papers were referred, in concurrence : —

Report of Cattle
Commissioners.

Annual report of the Cattle Commissioners. To the committee on Agriculture.

New England
Travellers'
Association.

Petition of the New England Travellers' Association for authority to accumulate a reserve fund (taken from the Senate files of last year). To the committee on Insurance.

Michael O'Neil.

Petition of Michael O'Neil for State aid. To the committee on Military Affairs.

Remonstrance of certain citizens of the town of Stoneham against setting off a part of said town and annexing it to the town of Wakefield. To the committee on Towns. Division of Stoneham.

The Chair.

The Speaker announced that during his absence on Monday Mr. Wadlin of Reading would occupy the chair. The Chair.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Flynn of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill providing for a clerk for the Police Court of Brookline. Read and ordered to a second reading. Clerk for Police Court of Brookline.

By Mr. Hartwell of Ayer, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve providing for reprinting parts of the annual reports of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor ought to pass. Reports of Bureau of Statistics of Labor.

By Mr. Dexter of Lowell, from the same committee, that the Resolve relative to furnishing members of the Legislature with copies of the Massachusetts Red Book ought to pass. Massachusetts Red Book.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Resolve relating to the damage occasioned by the burning of one of the buildings of the State Normal School at Framingham, and providing for the temporary accommodation of the pupils of said school, ought to pass. On motion of Mr. Lovell, the rules were suspended, and the resolve was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. State Normal School at Framingham.

Orders of the Day.

Bills:

Making appropriations for the Commonwealth's Flats Improvement Fund and for the Prison and Hospital Loan Sinking Fund; Orders of the Day.

Making appropriations for certain educational expenses;

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Making appropriations for incidental, contingent and miscellaneous expenses of the various departments and commissions of the Commonwealth; and

In addition to an Act to incorporate the proprietors of Forest Hills Cemetery; and the

Resolves:

In favor of the Massachusetts General Hospital; and

Concerning the Commonwealth's Flats at South Boston;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

At thirteen minutes before twelve o'clock, adjourned.

MONDAY, January 23, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Mr. Wadlin of Reading in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Laid on the Table.

The annual report of the Railroad Commissioners was received and was laid on the table. Report of Railroad Commissioners.

The annual report of the Treasurer and Receiver-General for the year ending Dec. 31, 1887, was received and was laid on the table. Report of Treasurer and Receiver-General.

Special Report of Auditor.

The special report of the Auditor of Accounts, of the expenditures in 1887 in several of the departments of the public service in excess of the appropriations therefor, was received and referred to the committee on Finance. Report of Auditor of expenditures in several departments in excess of appropriations.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Allen of Auburn, petition of J. W. Stockwell and others for an Act creating an agricultural society for the towns of Oxford, Sutton, Auburn, Millbury, Charlton, Dudley and Webster. Referred to the committee on Agriculture. Agricultural society in the town of Oxford.

By Mr. Finney of Plymouth, petition of N. E. Chase and others for the adoption of the method of voting known as the Australian system, so that ballots may be printed at the public expense and distributed by a public officer. Referred to the committee on Election Laws. Australian system of voting.

By Mr. Noyes of Boston, remonstrance of the Central Labor Lyceum against the repeal of the weekly payment law. Referred to the committee on Labor. Weekly payment law.

By Mr. Wharton of Boston, petition of Charles P. Searle for an increase of the capital stock of the National Mortgage and Deben-ture Company. Referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs. National Mortgage and Deben-ture Company.

Massachusetts
State Firemen's
Association.

By Mr. Leach of Boston, petitions of Bugbee & Spooner and others of Boston, and of members of Engine Company 17 of Boston. — severally, in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others of Boston for the passage of an act appropriating \$10,000 annually to the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Second Univer-
salist Society of
Lowell.

By Mr. Adams of Lowell, petition of the Second Universalist Society of Lowell for a change of name. Referred to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Henry Walker.

By Mr. Brown of Boston, petition of Henry Walker for confirmation of certain acts done by him as a justice of the peace.

Age of consent.

By Mr. Miller of Needham, petition of the Massachusetts Women's Christian Temperance Union for such amendment of chapter 305 of the Acts of 1886, as will raise the age of consent from thirteen to eighteen years.

Construction of
buildings in
towns.

By Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, petition of Edward Atkinson and others that the statute enabling cities to regulate the construction of buildings may be extended to towns having over ten thousand population.

Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, —

Ten-Hour Law.

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of amending chapter 221 of the Acts of the year 1874, commonly called the "Ten-Hour Law," by striking out the word "ten" wherever it occurs, and inserting in its place the word "eight"; also by striking out the word "sixty" in the last line of the first section and inserting in its stead the words "forty-eight."

On motion of Mr. Warden of Waltham, —

Support of
paupers in State
lunatic hos-
pitals.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Charitable Institutions consider the expediency of so amending sections 31 and 33 of chapter 87 of the Public Statutes as to restore the provisions of law relative to the support of paupers in the State lunatic hospitals in force prior to the 31st day of January, 1882.

On motion of Mr. Manning of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the justice of the Central District Court of Worcester.

Salary of justice
of Central
District Court
of Worcester.

On motion of Mr. Symonds of Salem, —

Ordered, That the committee on Street Railways consider the expediency of such legislation as will provide that one street railway shall not run cars over or use the tracks of another street railway, unless authority so to do be granted or approved by the Board of Railroad Commissioners.

Street railways,
—Railroad Com-
missioners.

On motion of Mr. Vanderhoop of Gay Head, —

Ordered, That the committee on Woman Suffrage consider the expediency of providing that widows paying a tax on property shall be entitled to vote for city and town officers.

Widows paying
tax on property
to vote for city
and town
officers.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Symonds of Salem, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so far amending chapter 207 of the Public Statutes, and particularly sections 29, 30, 36 and 42 thereof, as will establish a maximum and a minimum sentence for such offences as are therein described.

Vagrants.

On motion of Mr. Qua of Lowell, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation requiring city and town clerks to give bonds to account for moneys received by them for dog licenses, or of so amending section 84 of chapter 102 of the Public Statutes as to require city and town treasurers to issue such licenses.

Dog licenses.

On motion of Mr. Pear of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of further legislation for the prevention of unlawful gaming, by providing that in cases where officers having search warrants, upon entering any house or other building suspected of being used for the purpose of unlawful gaming, shall find no implements of gaming are visible, but finding upon the said premises persons who are known to such officers as being habitual gamblers, or who have a general reputation as such, or are known as idle and dissolute persons, that such officers shall have the right then and there to search the person

Unlawful
gaming.

of any there present, for the purpose of ascertaining whether or not implements of gaming are concealed upon or about their person, and that existing laws be so amended as to punish by fine, or otherwise, any person who may be present when such implements are so found.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Unlawful
gaming.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending the seventh clause of section 2, and also the amending of section 9 of chapter 212 of the Public Statutes, so that the said sections, when amended, shall apply and conform to existing laws in regard to unlawful gaming.

On motion of Mr. Preble of Boston, —

Returns of
executors,
trustees, admin-
istrators and
guardians.

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of further legislation requiring the due filing of proper returns of executors, administrators, trustees and guardians, and the auditing and allowance thereof.

Introduced on Leave.

Burial permits
and records of
deaths in cities.

By Mr. Leary of Boston, a Bill in relation to burial permits and records of deaths in cities, and the recording of births therein. Read and referred to the committee on Cities and sent up for concurrence.

Composition in
insolvency.

By Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, a Bill to amend chapter 236 of the Acts of the year 1884, relating to composition in insolvency. Read and referred to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Public records
of parishes,
towns and
counties.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, a Resolve in relation to public records of parishes, towns and counties. Read and referred to the committee on Finance.

Papers from the Senate.

Registered
female voters
for school com-
mittee.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the Secretary of the Commonwealth be required to collect and report to the present Legislature the number of registered female voters for school committee for the years 1881 to 1887, inclusive; also the number who have exercised the privilege of voting.

A Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution forbidding the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage, reported on so much of the Governor's Address as relates to an amendment of the Constitution to prohibit the manufacture and sale of intoxicants as a beverage, a petition and resolve, introduced on leave, relating to the subject, and who were instructed to consider the expediency of such an amendment, agreed to by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Constitutional amendment, —
intoxicating liquors.

A petition of the Fire Engineers of the city of Lawrence in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others of Boston for the passage of an act appropriating \$10,000 annually to the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

Bill Enacted.

An engrossed Bill making appropriations for the maintenance of the government for the present year (which originated in the House), was passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Bill enacted.

Orders of the Day.

The Bill providing for a clerk for the police court of Brookline; and the

Orders of the Day.

Resolves :

Providing for reprinting parts of the annual reports of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor; and

Relative to furnishing members of the Legislature with copies of the Massachusetts Red Book;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Making appropriations for the Commonwealth's Flats Improvement Fund and for the Prison and Hospital Loan Sinking Fund;

Making appropriations for certain educational expenses; and

Making appropriations for incidental, contingent and miscellaneous expenses of the various departments and commissions of the Commonwealth; and

Resolves ;

In favor of the Massachusetts General Hospital ; and

Concerning the Commonwealth's Flats at South Boston ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill in addition to an act to incorporate the proprietors of Forest Hills Cemetery was read a third time, amended, on motion of Mr. Atwood of Boston, passed to be engrossed as amended, and sent up for concurrence.

At twenty-two minutes past two o'clock, adjourned.

TUESDAY, January 24, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Atwood of Boston, petition of Geo W. Richardson and others; by Mr. McEttrick of Boston, petition of John C Kelley and others; by Mr. Preble of Boston, petition of Geo. A. Brown and others; and by Mr. Hayes of Boston, petition of Owen Tully and others, — severally, for legislation relative to pensioning certain call-firemen of the fire department of the city of Boston.

Pensioning call-firemen of Boston.

Severally referred to the committee on Cities.

By Mr. Milliken of Malden, petition of George W. Briggs and others; by Mr. McEttrick of Boston, petition of J. R. Roche and others; by Mr. McDonough of Boston, petition of John Jephson and others; by Mr. Dunlea of Boston, petition of J. J. Lewis and others; by Mr. Quincy of Quincy, petitions of Walter W. Clark and others, and of Francis G. Powell and others; by Mr. Parkman of Boston, petition of T. F. Baker and others; and by Mr. Wilkinson of Cambridge, petition of Noyes Thompson and others, — severally, in favor of the Australian system of voting, so that ballots may be printed at the public expense and distributed by a public officer.

Australian system of voting.

Severally referred to the committee on Election Laws.

By Mr. Riddell of Nantucket, petition of William Johnson, who served in the U. S. Navy during the war, that he may be credited to the quota of Massachusetts. Referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

William Johnson.

By Mr. Quincy of Quincy, petition of James Stewart and others for such legislation as will incorporate trade unions and other labor organizations. Referred to the committee on Labor.

Trade unions and other labor organizations.

By Mr. Berry of Salem, petition of Charles W. White and others; by Mr. McEttrick of Boston, petitions of Engine Company 12 of Boston, of Daniel C. Bickford and others, of David W. Williams and others, and of W. L. Devitt and others; by Mr. Gleason of Holbrook, petitions of John King and others, and of E. M. Flye

Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

and others, — severally, in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others of Boston for the passage of an act appropriating \$10,000 annually to the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Salary of clerk
of Second Dis-
trict Court of
Eastern
Worcester.

By Mr. Holman of Clinton, petition of Frank E. Howard, clerk of the Second District Court of Eastern Worcester, for increase of salary.

Salary of clerk
of District
Court of East
Norfolk.

By Mr. Gleason of Holbrook, petition of the clerk of the District Court of East Norfolk for an increase of salary.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Service.

Accidents
caused by run-
away locomo-
tives.

By Mr. Blake of Bedford, petition of George E. Messer for legislation to prevent accidents caused by runaway locomotives. Referred to the committee on Railroads.

Wenham, —
Beverly Farms.

By Mr. Norwood of Hamilton, remonstrance of John Gentlee and 160 others, citizens of Wenham, against part of Wenham being set off into the proposed town of Beverly Farms. Referred to the committee on Towns.

Riverside Aque-
duct Company.

By Mr. Bartlett of Montague, petition of Timothy M. Stoughton and others for an act of incorporation as the Riverside Aqueduct Company. Referred to the committee on Water Supply, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Women voting
on the question
of granting
liquor licenses.

By Mr. Wadlin of Reading, petition of the Massachusetts Woman's Christian Temperance Union for a law permitting women who are qualified to vote for school committee to vote on the question of granting licenses to sell intoxicating liquors.

Woman suf-
frage.

By Mr. Gile of Worcester, petition of Calvin Stebbins and 42 others; and by Mr. Rogers of Millbury, petition of John Hopkins and others, — severally, for the enactment of a law enabling women to vote in all town and municipal elections.

Severally referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage. Severally sent up for concurrence.

James Hag-
gerty.

By Mr. Kearn of North Adams, petition of R. H. Haslam & Co. and others of North Adams for the renewal of an annuity for James Haggerty, to be paid to Annie Fitzgerald of North Adams. Referred to the committee on Finance.

By Mr. Gracey of Salem, petition of C. E. Davis, pastor of the People's Church of Boston, to change the word "intoxicating" to "alcoholic" in the proposed Prohibitory Amendment to the Constitution of the State. Placed on file.

Constitutional amendment, —
intoxicating
liquors.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Floyd of Winthrop, —

Ordered, That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of amending chapter 91 of the Public Statutes so that the mayor and aldermen of a city or the selectmen of a town may grant licenses to any inhabitant thereof to plant, grow and dig clams upon and in any flats or creeks therein.

Licensing the
planting and
digging of
clams.

On motion of Mr. Quincy of Quincy, —

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of legislation authorizing the incorporation of labor organizations.

Incorporation of
labor organiza-
tions.

On motion of Mr. Wadlin of Reading, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of further legislation to prevent the distribution of intoxicating liquors in cities and towns in which no licenses of the first five classes to sell intoxicating liquors are granted.

Intoxicating
liquors.

On motion of Mr. Dunlea of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Printing consider the expediency of amending section 7 of chapter 4 of the Public Statutes so as to specify what number of copies of the annual report of the State Board of Arbitration shall be printed each year.

Printing of
report of the
State Board of
Arbitration.

On motion of Mr. Dexter of Lowell, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the sheriff of Middlesex County.

Salary of sheriff
of Middlesex
County.

On motion of Mr. Symonds of Salem, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the judge of Probate and Insolvency for the county of Essex.

Salary of judge
of probate and
insolvency of
Essex County.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Wharton of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation concerning the rights and liabilities of husband and wife.

Rights and
liabilities of
husband and
wife.

Negotiability
of promissory
notes and other
instruments.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation concerning the negotiability of promissory notes and other instruments.

Employers'
liability, —
notice of injury.

On motion of Mr. Bottum of Northampton, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 3 of chapter 270 of the Acts of the year 1887, so as to name and make certain the persons who may give notice to the employer under said section.

Jurors, —
peremptory
challenges.

On motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending section 36 of chapter 170 of the Public Statutes that the number of jurors that may be challenged peremptorily may be increased.

Examinations of
teachers of
common
schools.

The following order, offered by Mr. Temple of Colrain, was laid over at the request of Mr. Flynn of Boston : —

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of changing the present laws relating to the examination of teachers of common schools as to their qualifications for teaching and capacity for the government of schools, to render such examinations more thorough and impartial, and relating to the certificates of such qualifications and capacity required of them before opening schools ; and that said committee consider the expediency of providing for one or more officers in each county, or other district to be defined, charged with the duty of making the said examinations and certificates required in such county or district.

Intoxicating
liquors.

Request for Leave to introduce a Bill.

Mr. Quincy of Quincy asked leave to introduce a Bill concerning licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors. The bill was read, and at the request of Mr. McDonough of Boston, the request for leave to introduce the bill was postponed until to-morrow.

Introduced on Leave.

Railroad and
steamboat
police in
Boston.

By Mr. McDonough of Boston, a Bill relating to the appointment of railroad police and steamboat police in the city of Boston. Read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Taken from the Files of Last Year.

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, the Bill to promote the establishment of benevolent building associations was taken from the files of last year and was referred to the committee on Labor and sent up for concurrence.

Benevolent
building associations.

Extra copies of a Report ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr. Quincy of Quincy it was voted that there be printed for the use of the members of the House five hundred extra copies of the report of the joint special committee of the General Court of 1887 on the Employment and Schooling of Children.

Report of
special committee
on the
employment
and schooling
of children.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of amending the Statute of 1887, chapter 214, section 60, by striking out this clause thereof, "And such reference, unless waived by the parties, shall be a condition precedent to any right of action in law or equity to recover such loss."

Fire insurance
companies.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending section 19 of chapter 52 of the Public Statutes, that the action therein given may not be limited to the Superior Court, but that jurisdiction may also be given to municipal, police and district courts, and to trial justices.

Injuries re-
ceived on high-
ways.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Labor consider the expediency of amending section 4 of chapter 74 of the Public Statutes, in relation to the employment of women and children, so as to provide that women and minors shall not be required to work more than fifty-six and one-half hours in any one week.

Employment of
women and
children.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of providing that no person engaged in the liquor traffic, or having a business interest in said traffic, shall be accepted as surety on the bond of any person licensed to sell intoxicating liquors.

Sureties on
liquor license
bonds.

Elections of directors or managers of corporations and associations.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider what legislation is necessary to change the manner of electing directors or managers of corporations and associations.

Women voting on the liquor license question.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Woman Suffrage consider the expediency of allowing women to vote on the question of granting licenses to sell intoxicating liquors.

Supreme Council of the Royal Arcanum.

A Bill to authorize the Supreme Council of the Royal Arcanum to hold its annual meetings in the District of Columbia and Dominion of Canada, reported on a Senate petition, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Biennial elections of State officers.

The following petitions were referred in concurrence :—
Petition of John R. Bronson and other legal voters in Attleborough for an amendment to the Constitution providing for biennial elections for State officers. To the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Pensioning call-firemen of Boston.

Petition of C. B. Gilbert and others for legislation relative to pensioning certain call-firemen of the fire department of the city of Boston. To the committee on Cities.

Insurance companies.

Petition of Thomas T. Stokes and others for an amendment of section 31 of chapter 214 of the Acts of 1887, concerning the amount of capital required to be specified in a charter of an insurance company. To the committee on Insurance.

Intoxicating liquors.

Petition of the Massachusetts Temperance Alliance for the repeal of the existing laws authorizing the sale of intoxicating beverages, and for the enactment of a prohibitory law. To the committee on the Liquor Law.

Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

Petitions of Samuel Abbott, Jr. and others: Seth L. Low and others; A. A. Fowle and others; E. F. Martin and others, and John Sullivan and others,—severally, in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others for an appropriation for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association to aid firemen injured while in discharge of their duties. Severally to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Connecticut River Railroad Company,—Ashuelot Railroad Company.

Petition of the Connecticut River Railroad Company for the amendment of chapter 16, Acts of 1886, relating to the purchase of stock of the Ashuelot Railroad Company.

pany by the Connecticut River Railroad Company. To the committee on Railroads.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Prison, Massachusetts Reformatory, the Reformatory Prison for Women, and for expenses in connection therewith.

Appropriation bill, — State Prison, Massachusetts Reformatory and Reformatory Prison for Women.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for sundry charitable expenses.

Appropriation bill, — charitable expenses.

By Mr. Lyman of Belchertown, from the committee on Education, on a petition, a Bill in relation to the Hitchcock Free High School in Brimfield.

Hitchcock Free High School in Brimfield.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

• By Mr. Dexter of Lowell, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve relative to furnishing members of the Legislature with copies of the Official Gazette and State House Directory ought not to pass. Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the resolve.

Official Gazette and State House Directory.

Bill Enacted and Resolve Passed.

An engrossed Bill making appropriations for the compensation and mileage of the members of the Legislature, for the compensation of officers thereof, and for expenses in connection therewith (which originated in the House), was passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Bill enacted, — Resolve passed.

An engrossed Resolve relating to the damage occasioned by the burning of one of the buildings of the State Normal School at Framingham, and providing for the temporary accommodation of the pupils of said school (which originated in the Senate), was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
Day.

The Bill providing for a clerk for the police court of Brookline; and the

Resolves :

Providing for reprinting parts of the annual reports of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor; and

Relative to furnishing members of the Legislature with copies of the Massachusetts Red Book;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolve, providing for an amendment to the Constitution forbidding the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage, was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

At thirty-one minutes past two o'clock, adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, January 25, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. O'Neil of Boston, petition of James E. Gaffey and others; and by Mr. Gleason of Boston, petitions of William H. Hall and others, — severally, for legislation relative to pensioning certain call-firemen of the fire department of the city of Boston.

Pensioning call-firemen of Boston.

Severally referred to the committee on Cities.

By Mr. Walworth of Newton, petition of Ernest Thomas and others in favor of the Australian system of voting, so that ballots may be printed at the public expense and distributed by a public officer. Referred to the committee on Election Laws.

Australian system of voting.

By Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, petition of the Boston Tow Boat Company for leave to amend its charter.

Boston Tow Boat Company.

By Mr. Dennis of Gloucester, petition of Charles P. Coffin and others for an act of incorporation as the Magnolia Improvement Company.

Magnolia Improvement Company.

Severally referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

By Mr. Coveney of Cambridge, petition of Fanny Ross of East Cambridge for a renewal of her annuity. Referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

Fanny Ross.

By Mr. Dennis of Gloucester, petitions of members of Engine Company No. 2 of Gloucester, and of David I. Robinson and others; and by Mr. Thayer of Randolph, petitions of George W. Shedd and others, and of Charles Prescott and others, — severally, in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others of Boston for the passage of an act appropriating \$10,000 annually to the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

By Mr. Sohier of Beverly, remonstrance of Alden Webb and 964 citizens and legal voters of Beverly against

Division of Beverly.

the division of that town, giving \$8 of valuation per poll on one side to \$1 on the other.

Severally referred to the committee on Towns.

Municipal
suffrage for wo-
men.

By Mr. Robinson of Southborough, petition of Mrs. D. W. Forbes and 102 others; and by Mr. Allen of Auburn, petition of Mrs. Sarah F. Wilson and 52 others, — severally, for the enactment of a law enabling women to vote in all town and municipal elections.

Severally referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Henry O.
Downing.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, petition of Henry O. Downing for compensation for loss of time and for alleged false imprisonment and other injuries caused by the alleged illegal proceedings of the grand jury in Norfolk County.

Opening of
barbers' shops
on the Lord's
day.

By Mr. Coveney of Cambridge, petition of Bernard J. Brogan and others for such an amendment as will allow barbers to keep open shop on the Lord's day.

Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Colby of Boston, —

Salaries of
justices of Su-
preme Judicial
and Superior
Courts.

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of increasing the salaries of the justices of the Supreme Judicial and Superior Courts.

On motion of Mr. Brewer of Boston, —

Seizure of Im-
plements and
furniture used
in the sale of
liquor contrary
to law.

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of so amending chapter 100 of the Public Statutes that courts now authorized by chapter 406 of the Acts of the year 1887 to seize by warrant all implements of sale and furniture, used in the sale of liquor intended for sale contrary to law, may be authorized to declare the same forfeited to the Commonwealth,

On motion of Mr. Hall of Taunton, —

Additional
copies of the re-
port of general
superintendent
of prisons.

Ordered, That the committee on Printing consider the expediency of printing additional copies of the report of the general superintendent of prisons for the use of that officer.

On motion of Mr. Parkman of Boston, —

Civil service
rules.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of amending the provision in section

19 of chapter 320 of the Acts of 1884, in regard to the publication of the Rules and changes therein, prepared by the Civil Service Commissioners.

On motion of Mr. Pratt of Abington, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of such legislation as shall provide for the payment of the court officers of Norfolk and Plymouth counties by salary instead of by fees.

Salaries of officers of Norfolk and Plymouth county courts.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

The order laid over from yesterday relative to the examination of teachers of common schools as to their qualifications for teaching and capacity for the government of schools was adopted and sent up for concurrence,

Examinations of teachers of common schools.

On motion of Mr. Provin of Westfield, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation to enable any incorporated agricultural society to take land for fair grounds and other purposes of the society, on rendering compensation therefor.

Agricultural societies taking land for fair grounds.

Laid on the Table.

The annual report of the Deputy Tax Commissioner was received and was laid on the table.

Report of Deputy Tax Commissioner.

The request of Mr. Quincy of Quincy, to introduce a Bill concerning licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors, laid over from yesterday, was considered. After debate, Mr. Gile of Worcester moved that the request be laid on the table. On this question the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. McDonough of Boston, and, the roll being called, the motion was adopted by a vote of 157 yeas to 74 nays, as follows : —

Licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors.

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, Charles E.
Allen, John J.
Allen, Montessor T.
Armstrong, William O.
Atherton, Horace H.
Atwood, Harrison H.
Babbitt, Rollin H.
Backup, John
Barrett, William E.
Bartlett, Joseph F.

Messrs. Bixby, Charles C.
Blume, Andreas
Bottum, John B.
Brackett, Albert A.
Breed, Arthur B.
Brewer, Edward W.
Brooks, A. Olin
Brown, John F.
Burnham, William Howe
Butler, William A.

Messrs. Cannell, Joseph H.	Messrs. Hixon, William S.
Carpenter, George N.	Holman, Frank E.
Champlin, Arthur B.	Hooper, George M.
Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.	Hunt, George H.
Church, Moses D.	Jaques, Alden P.
Clark, Henry	Kimball, John W.
Clarke, Rowse R.	Leach, William T.
Close, George	Lothrop, John Q. A.
Colby, John F.	Lovell, Clarence P.
Conant, Charles W.	Lyman, Payson W.
Conwell, David	Manning, Albert S.
Coolidge, George H.	Manning, David, Jr.
Crowell, Joshua	Martin, James P.
Cutler, Samuel	McCall, Samuel W.
Dame, Luther	Merrill, John F.
Davis, Edmund A.	Miller, Albert E.
Delano, John W.	Miller, Lyman M.
Dennis, George	Milliken, Daniel L.
Dewey, Wilson	Milne, John C.
Dexter, Solomon K.	Morey, George F.
Dresser, Theodore P.	Morton, Harrison E.
Eames, Harry M.	Nelson, Sidney T.
Eldridge, Albert R.	Norwood, Caleb J.
Fales, Frank A.	Parkman, Henry
Ferry, William F.	Pear, Isaac S.
Fisher, Albert L.	Peirson, Henry M.
Fisk, Edward P.	Perkins, Nathaniel R.
Floyd, David, 2d	Perry, George R.
Fottler, Jacob	Pierce, Charles Q.
Friend, Henry	Pinkerton, Alfred S.
Gagan, Edward	Plaisted, John W.
Gile, William A.	Preble, William H.
Gleason, Joseph H.	Qua, Francis W.
Gleason, Willard F.	Raymond, Francis H.
Goss, Charles	Read, John
Gracey, Samuel L.	Robinson, J. Henry
Greenwood, Morrill A.	Rogers, Joseph W.
Grosvenor, Charles F.	Rogers, Samuel N.
Gunn, Daniel	Rogerson, Wm. B.
Hall, Frederick S.	Rounsevell, Arthur G.
Hartwell, Benjamin H.	Rugg, Charles P.
Hatch, Franklin W.	Russell, Alvin D.
Hathaway, James A.	Russell, Irving L.
Hayes, Elihu B.	Sanford, Alpheus
Hayes, John E.	Sanger, Chester F.
Haynes, Henry D.	Seavey, Charles W.
Henry, Robert	Shaw, Edward P.
Hill, Luther	Shepard, Charles F.
Hinchcliffe, William J.	Simonds, S. Dwight
Hitchcock, Calvin	Slocum, George W.

Messrs. Slocum, Winfield S.
 Sohler, William D.
 Southwick, Benjamin F.
 Spring, Charles E.
 Stimpson, Daniel P.
 Stowe, Elijah B.
 Symonds, Charles H.
 Taft, Robert L.
 Temple, Albert H.
 Thayer, Rufus A.
 Thompson, A. Cranston
 Thompson, Albert G.
 Tompkins, Isaac B.
 Trull, George W.
 Turner, Henry A.
 Tyler, Ansel P.
 Upham, Samuel O.
 Vanderhoop, Edwin D.
 Wadlin, Horace G.

Messrs. Wales, Abijah T.
 Walworth, Arthur C.
 Warden, Erskine
 Wardwell, J. Otis
 Ware, M. Everett
 Waters, Franklin L.
 Wharton, William F.
 Whitcher, James E.
 White, William L., Jr.
 Wilde, William A.
 Wiley, Albert L.
 Wilkinson, John W.
 Willis, Rufus H.
 Witt, Charles T.
 Woods, Frank F.
 Woodward, Charles F.
 Wright, Arthur
 Wyman, Ferdinand A.

NAYS.

Messrs. Bennett, Charles H.
 Berry, Francis T.
 Blake, Edwin H.
 Boardman, Francis
 Brady, Peter J.
 Brigham, Arthur A.
 Call, Charles A.
 Calnan, Patrick J.
 Carey, William H.
 Carman, William A.
 Carney, Michael
 Carroll, Peter T.
 Clark, David H.
 Clark, Schuyler
 Collison, Harvey N.
 Conroy, James
 Coveney, John W.
 Cronin, James M.
 Dame, Albert L.
 Desmond, Jeremiah
 Doherty, John
 Dolan, Bernard
 Driscoll, John J.
 Dunlea, James J.
 Farren, Thomas
 Finney, Elkanah
 Donovan, Edward
 Donovan, James G.

Messrs. Flynn, Edward J.
 Flynn, Thomas J.
 Garity, Michael
 Gibson, George W.
 Griswold, Freeman C.
 Hagerty, David J.
 Haggerty, Charles
 Haskell, Henry C.
 Hastings, William H.
 Holbrook, John A.
 Keane, Jeremiah J.
 Kearn, George H.
 Kendall, Horace M.
 Kennedy, Patrick J.
 Kimball, Henry A.
 Lally, James, Jr.
 Leary, Edward J.
 Lyons, Henry S.
 McCarthy, Patrick
 McCooey, Thomas
 McDonald, Robert H.
 McDonough, John H.
 McEnany, Thomas O.
 McEttrick, Michael J.
 Mellen, James H.
 Monahan, William H.
 Morin, John M.
 Noonan, Thomas L.

Messrs. O'Brien, Dennis J.	Messrs. Raymond, Samuel M.
O'Neil, John W.	Riddell, Henry
O'Neill, Thomas F.	Risteen, John C.
Pratt, Harvey H.	Story, Cyrus
Provin, William	Sullivan, Michael F.
Quincy, Josiah	Sullivan, Thomas F.
Quinn, Andrew	Towne, Joseph L.
Quinn, Dennis J.	Winchester, Reuben
Quinn, Philip H.	Winthrop, John.

Yeas, 157; Nays, 74.

Papers from the Senate.

Legislative
bulletin of com-
mittee hearings.

An order relative to authorizing the committee on Expediting Legislative Business to issue a daily legislative bulletin (reported on a Senate order) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Expenditures.

Bills :

Town Neck
Land and
Improvement
Company of
Sandwich.
Old Colony
Steamboat
Company.

To incorporate the Town Neck Land and Improvement Company of Sandwich ; and

To increase the capital stock of the Old Colony Steamboat Company ;

Severally reported on petitions and severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Resolves :

Report of
Massachusetts
Agricultural
Experiment
Station.

Providing for the printing of extra copies of the report of the Massachusetts Agricultural Experiment Station ; and

Report of
Secretary of
State Board of
Agriculture.

Providing for the printing of additional copies of the Thirty-fifth Annual Report of the Secretary of the State Board of Agriculture ;

Severally introduced on leave in the Senate, were severally read and referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Printing.

Despatch of
legislative
business.

A Resolution in relation to the despatch of business pending before committees, reported on an order and adopted by the Senate, was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence : —

Preparation of
jury lists in
Boston.

Petition of the Boston Bar Association for amendment of the law in relation to the preparation of the list of jurors in Boston. To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Petition of the Abraham Lincoln Post 11 G. A. R. Corporation of Charlestown District, Boston, for authority to increase its capital stock. To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Abraham
Lincoln Post 11
G. A. R.

Remonstrance of Frank K. Foster and others against any modification or the repeal of chapter 447 of the Acts of the year 1887, relating to the labor of the prisoners in the State Prison, Reformatories and Houses of Correction. To the committee on Prisons.

Prison labor.

Petition of the county commissioners of Franklin County for an increase of salaries. To the committee on Public Service.

Salary of county
commissioners
of Franklin
County.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, from the committee on Expenditures, who were instructed to examine the securities in the hands of the Treasurer and Receiver-General, that they have examined all the securities in the hands of the Treasurer and Receiver-General, and find the same to correspond strictly with the schedule thereof; they also examined the cash on hand in the office of the Treasurer and certified by the cashiers of the several banks of deposit, and found the same correct. Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Examination of
securities in the
hands of the
Treasurer and
Receiver-
General.

By Mr. Kimball of Northampton, from the committee on Finance, on the special report of the Auditor of Accounts on the expenditures in excess of appropriations for 1887, a Bill making appropriations for deficiencies in appropriations for certain expenses authorized in the year 1887.

Appropriation
Bill,—deficien-
cies in appro-
priations.

By Mr. Allen of Woburn, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the Lyman School for Boys at Westborough.

Appropriation
bill,—Lyman
School for Boys
at Westborough.

By Mr. Hartwell of Ayer, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Primary School at Monson.

Appropriation
bill,—State
Primary School
at Monson.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Bennett of Springfield, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve in relation to public records of parishes, towns and counties ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Public records
of parishes,
towns and coun-
ties.

Plans and records in the registry of deeds for the Southern District of Middlesex County.

By Mr. Jaques of Haverhill, from the committee on County Estimates, on an order, a Bill in relation to the copying of certain plans and records in the registry of deeds for the Southern District of Middlesex County. Read, and, on motion of Mr. Qua of Lowell, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

Making appropriations for printing and binding public documents, purchase of paper, publishing law sand preparing tables and indexes relating to the statutes ; and

Making appropriations for the maintenance of the judicial departments of the government during the present year ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

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Bills :

In relation to the Hitchcock Free High School in Brimfield ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Prison, Massachusetts Reformatory, the Reformatory Prison for Women, and for expenses in connection therewith ;

Making appropriations for sundry charitable expenses ; and

To authorize the Supreme Council of the Royal Arcanum to hold its annual meetings in the District of Columbia and Dominion of Canada ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Resolve relative to furnishing members of the Legislature with copies of the Official Gazette and State House Directory was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Finance.

The Resolve providing for an amendment to the Constitution forbidding the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage was read a third time and considered. Mr. Quincy of Quincy moved to amend the article of amendment in line 1 by striking out the word "intoxicating" and inserting in place thereof the word

"alcoholic." After debate, on motion of Mr. Symonds of Salem, it was voted that debate be closed at fifteen minutes past four o'clock, unless a vote should be sooner reached. On the question of adopting the amendment moved by Mr. Quincy the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Collison of Boston, and, the roll being called, the amendment was rejected by a vote of 88 yeas to 137 nays, as follows :—

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, Charles E.
Bennett, Charles H.
Blake, Edwin H.
Boardman, Francis
Brady, Peter J.
Breed, Arthur B.
Brigham, Arthur A.
Brown, John F.
Call, Charles A.
Calnan, Patrick J.
Carey, William H.
Carman, William A.
Carney, Michael
Carroll, Peter T.
Church, Moses D.
Clark, David H.
Clark, Schuyler,
Collison, Harvey N.
Conroy, James
Conwell, David
Coveney, John W.
Cronin, James M.
Dame, Albert L.
Desmond, Jeremiah
Doherty, John
Dolan, Bernard
Donovan, Edward J.
Donovan, James
Dunlea, James J.
Farren, Thomas G.
Ferry, William F.
Finney, Elkanah
Flynn, Edward J.
Flynn, Thomas J.
Gagan, Edward
Garity, Michael
Gibson, George W.
Gleason, Willard F.

Messrs. Goss, Charles
Griswold, Freeman C.
Hagerty, David J.
Haggerty, Charles
Haskell, Henry C.
Hastings, William H.
Hayes, John E.
Holbrook, John A.
Keane, Jeremiah J.
Kearn, George H.
Kendall, Horace M.
Kennedy, Patrick J.
Kimball, Henry A.
Lally, James, Jr.
Leary, Edward J.
Lyons, Henry S.
McCooley, Thomas
McDonald, Robert H.
McDonough, John H.
McEnany, Thomas O.
McEttrick, Michael J.
Mellen, James H.
Monahan, William H.
Morin, John M.
Noonan, Thomas L.
Norwood, Caleb J.
O'Brien, Dennis J.
O'Neil, John W.
O'Neill, Thomas F.
Pratt, Harvey H.
Provin, William
Quincy, Josiah
Quinn, Andrew
Quinn, Dennis J.
Quinn, Philip H.
Raymond, Samuel M.
Riddell, Henry
Risteen, John C.

Messrs. Simonds, S. Dwight
 Story, Cyrus
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 Sullivan, Thomas F.
 Symonds, Charles H.
 Thompson, Albert G.

Messrs. Towne, Joseph L.
 Wadlin, Horace G.
 Whitcher, James E.
 Winchester, Reuben
 Winthrop, John
 Woods, Frank F.

NATS.

Messrs. Allen, John J.
 Allen, Montessor T.
 Armstrong, William O.
 Atherton, Horace H.
 Atwood, Harrison H.
 Babbitt, Rollin H.
 Barrett, William E.
 Bartlett, Joseph F.
 Berry, Francis T.
 Blume, Andreas
 Bottum, John B.
 Brackett, Albert A.
 Brewer, Edward W.
 Brooks, A. Olin
 Burnham, William Howe
 Cannell, Joseph H.
 Carpenter, George N.
 Champlin, Arthur B.
 Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.
 Clark, Henry
 Clarke, Rowse R.
 Close, George
 Colby, John F.
 Coolidge, George H.
 Crowell, Joshua
 Cutler, Samuel
 Dame, Luther
 Davis, Edmund A.
 Delano, John W.
 Dennis, George
 Dewey, Wilson
 Dexter, Solomon K.
 Dresser, Theodore P.
 Driscoll, John
 Eames, Harry M.
 Eldridge, Albert R.
 Fales, Frank A.
 Fisher, Albert L.
 Fisk, Edward P.
 Floyd, David 2d
 Fottler, Jacob

Messrs. Friend, Henry
 Gile, William A.
 Gleason, Joseph H.
 Gracey, Samuel L.
 Greenwood, Morrill A.
 Grosvenor, Charles F.
 Gunn, Daniel
 Hall, Frederick S.
 Hartwell, Benjamin H.
 Hatch, Franklin W.
 Hathaway, James A.
 Hayes, Elihu B.
 Haynes, Henry D.
 Henry, Robert
 Hill, Luther
 Hinchcliffe, William J.
 Hitchcock, Calvin
 Hixon, William S.
 Holman, Frank E.
 Hooper, George M.
 Hunt, George H.
 Jaques, Alden P.
 Kimball, John W.
 Leach, William T.
 Lothrop, John Q. A.
 Lovell, Clarence P.
 Lyman, Payson W.
 Manning, Albert S.
 Manning, David, Jr.
 Martin, James P.
 McCall, Samuel W.
 McCarthy, Patrick
 Merrill, John F.
 Miller, Lyman M.
 Milliken, Daniel L.
 Milne, John C.
 Morey, George F.
 Morton, Harrison E.
 Nelson, Sidney T.
 Parkman, Henry
 Pear, Isaac S.

Messrs. Peirson, Henry M.	Messrs. Stowe, Elijah B.
Perkins, Nathaniel R.	Taft, Robert L.
Perry, George R.	Temple, Albert H.
Pierce, Charles Q.	Thayer, Rufus A.
Plaisted, John W.	Thompson, A. Cranston
Preble, William H.	Tompkins, Isaac B.
Qua, Francis W.	Trull, George W.
Raymond, Francis H.	Turner, Henry A.
Read, John	Tyler, Ansel P.
Richards, James H.	Upham, Samuel O.
Robinson, J. Henry	Vanderhoop, Edwin D.
Rogers, Joseph W.	Wales, Abijah T.
Rogers, Samuel N.	Walworth, Arthur C.
Rogerson, William B.	Warden, Erskine
Rounsevell, Arthur G.	Wardwell, J. Otis.
Russell, Alvin D.	Ware, M. Everett
Russell, Irving L.	Waters, Franklin L.
Sanford, Alpheus,	Wharton, William F.
Sanger, Chester F.	White, William L. Jr.
Seavey, Charles W.	Wilde, William A.
Shaw, Edward P.	Wiley, Albert L.
Shepard, Charles F.	Wilkinson, John W.
Slocum, George W.	Willis, Rufus H.
Slocum, Winfield S.	Witt, Charles T.
Sohier, William D.	Woodward, Charles F.
Southwick, Benjamin F.	Wright, Arthur
Spring, Charles E.	Wyman, Ferdinand A.
Stimpson, Daniel P.	

Yeas, 88 ; Nays, 137.

On the question of agreeing to the article of amendment, the yeas and nays were taken, and the vote was 161 yeas to 70 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, Charles E.	Messrs. Brackett, Albert A.
Allen, John J.	Breed, Arthur B.
Allen, Montessor T.	Brewer, Edward W.
Armstrong, William O.	Brigham, Arthur A.
Atherton, Horace H.	Brooks, A. Olin
Atwood, Harrison H.	Brown, John F.
Babbitt, Rollin H.	Burnham, William Howe
Barrett, William E.	Butler, William A.
Bartlett, Joseph F.	Cannell, Joseph H.
Bixby, Charles C.	Carpenter, George N.
Blake, Edwin H.	Champlin, Arthur B.
Bottum, John B.	Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.

Messrs. Church, Moses D.

Clark, David H.
 Clark, Henry
 Clark, Schuyler
 Clarke, Rowse R.
 Close, George
 Colby, John F.
 Conant, Charles W.
 Conwell, David
 Coolidge, George H.
 Crowell, Joshua
 Cutler, Samuel
 Dame, Luther
 Davis, Edmund A.
 Delano, John W.
 Dennis, George
 Dewey, Wilson
 Dexter, Solomon K.
 Dresser, Theodore P.
 Eames, Harry M.
 Eldridge, Albert R.
 Fales, Frank A.
 Ferry, William F.
 Finney, Elkanah
 Fisher, Albert L.
 Floyd, David, 2d
 Friend, Henry
 Gile, William A.
 Gleason, Joseph H.
 Gleason, Willard F.
 Goss, Charles
 Gracey, Samuel L.
 Greenwood, Morrill A.
 Grosvenor, Charles F.
 Gunn, Daniel
 Hall, Frederick S.
 Hartwell, Benjamin H.
 Haskell, Henry C.
 Hatch, Franklin W.
 Hathaway, James A.
 Hayes, Elihu B.
 Haynes, Henry D.
 Henry, Robert
 Hill, Luther
 Hinchcliffe, William J.
 Hitchcock, Calvin
 Hixon, William S.
 Holbrook, John A.
 Holman, Frank E.
 Hooper, George M.

Messrs. Hunt, George H.

Jaques, Alden P.
 Kimball, John W.
 Leach, William T.
 Lothrop, John Q. A.
 Lovell, Clarence P.
 Lyman, Payson W.
 Manning, Albert S.
 Manning, David, Jr.
 Martin, James P.
 McCall, Samuel W.
 McCarthy, Patrick
 Merrill, John F.
 Miller, Albert E.
 Miller, Lyman M.
 Milliken, Daniel L.
 Milne, John C.
 Morey, George F.
 Morin, John M.
 Morton, Harrison E.
 Nelson, Sidney T.
 Norwood, Caleb J.
 Parkman, Henry
 Pear, Isaac S.
 Peirson, Henry M.
 Perkins, Nathaniel R.
 Perry, George R.
 Pierce, Charles Q.
 Pinkerton, Alfred S.
 Plaisted, John W.
 Preble, William H.
 Qua, Francis W.
 Raymond, Francis H.
 Read, John
 Richards, James H.
 Robinson, J. Henry
 Rogers, Joseph W.
 Rogers, Samuel N.
 Rogerson, William B.
 Rounsevell, Arthur G.
 Rugg, Charles P.
 Russell, Alvin D.
 Russell, Irving L.
 Sanford, Alpheus
 Sanger, Chester F.
 Seavey, Charles W.
 Shaw, Edward P.
 Shepard, Charles F.
 Simonds, S. Dwight
 Slocum, George W.

Messrs. Slocum, Winfield S.	Messrs. Wadlin, Horace G.
Sohier, William D.	Wales, Abijah T.
Southwick, Benjamin F.	Walworth, Arthur C.
Spring, Charles E.	Warden, Erskine
Stimpson, Daniel P.	Wardwell, J. Otis
Stowe, Elijah B.	Ware, M. Everett
Story, Cyrus	Waters, Franklin L.
Symonds, Charles H.	Whitcher, James E.
Taft, Robert L.	White, William L., Jr.
Temple, Albert H.	Wilde, William A.
Thayer, Rufus A.	Wiley, Albert L.
Thompson, A. Cranston	Wilkinson, John W.
Thompson, Albert G.	Willis, Rufus H.
Tompkins, Isaac B.	Witt, Charles T.
Trull, George W.	Woods, Frank F.
Turner, Henry A.	Woodward, Charles F.
Tyler, Ansel P.	Wright, Arthur
Upham, Samuel O.	Wyman, Ferdinand A.
Vanderhoop, Edwin D.	

NAYS.

Messrs. Backup, John	Messrs. Gagan, Edward
Bennett, Charles H.	Garity, Michael
Berry, Francis T.	Gibson, George W.
Blume, Andreas	Griswold, Freeman C.
Boardman, Francis	Hagerty, David J.
Brady, Peter J.	Haggerty, Charles
Call, Charles A.	Hastings, William H.
Calnan, Patrick J.	Hayes, John E.
Carey, William H.	Keane, Jeremiah J.
Carman, William A.	Kearn, George H.
Carney, Michael	Kendall, Horace M.
Carroll, Peter T.	Kennedy, Patrick J.
Collison, Harvey N.	Kimball, Henry A.
Conroy, James	Lally, James, Jr
Coveney, John W.	Leary, Edward J.
Cronin, James M.	Lyons, Henry S.
Dame, Albert L.	McCooey, Thomas
Desmond, Jeremiah	McDonald, Robert H.
Doherty, John	McDonough, John H.
Dolan, Bernard	McEnany, Thomas O.
Donovan, Edward J.	McEttrick, Michael J.
Donovan, James	Mellen, James H.
Driscoll, John	Monahan, William H.
Dunlea, James J.	Noonan, Thomas L.
Farren, Thomas G.	O'Brien, Dennis J.
Flynn, Edward J.	O'Neil, John W.
Flynn, Thomas J.	O'Neill, Thomas F.
Fottler, Jacob	Pratt, Harvey H.

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Messrs. Provin, William	Messrs. Risteen, John C.
Quincy, Josiah	Sullivan, Michael F.
Quinn, Andrew	Sullivan, Thomas F.
Quinn, Dennis J.	Towne, Joseph L.
Quinn, Philip H.	Wharton, William F.
Raymond, Samuel M.	Winchester, Reuben
Riddell, Henry	Winthrop, John

Yeas, 161 ; Nays, 70.

On this question, Mr. Smith of Athol, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, was paired with Mr. Fisk of Boston.

Two-thirds of the members of the House present and voting thereon having voted in the affirmative, the article of amendment was agreed to, in concurrence.

The resolve and article of amendment are as follows :—

RESOLVE

Providing for an Amendment to the Constitution forbidding the Manufacture and Sale of Intoxicating Liquors as a Beverage.

Resolved, by both Houses, That it is expedient to amend the Constitution of the Commonwealth by the adoption of the subjoined article of amendment, and that the said article, being agreed to by a majority of the Senators and two-thirds of the members of the House of Representatives present and voting thereon, be entered on the journals of both Houses, with the yeas and nays taken thereon, and referred to the General Court next to be chosen ; and that said article be published, to the end that if agreed to by the General Court next to be chosen, in the manner provided by the Constitution of the Commonwealth, it may be submitted to the people for their approval and ratification, in order that it may become a part of the Constitution of the Commonwealth.

ARTICLE OF AMENDMENT.

The manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors to be used as a beverage are prohibited. The General Court shall enact suitable legislation to enforce the provisions of this article.

At fifteen minutes before five o'clock, adjourned.

THURSDAY, January 26, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Communication from the Auditor.

A communication was received from the Auditor of State Farm at Bridgewater. Accounts, transmitting a communication from the Trustees of the State Farm at Bridgewater, calling attention to a clerical error in the estimates of appropriations for the State Farm, as submitted by said trustees to the Auditor. Read and referred to the committee on Finance.

Report Received.

The first report of the General Superintendent of Prisons was received, and was referred to the committee on Prisons and sent up for concurrence. Report of general superintendent of prisons.

Motion to take from the Table.

Mr. Quincy of Quincy moved to take from the table his request for leave to introduce the Bill concerning licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors. The motion was lost by a vote of 65 to 95. Licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Story of Gloucester, petition of the city of Gloucester for authority to issue bonds, notes or scrip to the amount of \$160,000 for the purpose of refunding and paying certain indebtedness of said city; Gloucester.

By Mr. Close of Cambridge, petition of the city of Cambridge for leave to extend its debt limit on account of the Harvard Bridge; Cambridge, — Harvard Bridge.

Severally referred to the committee on Cities.

By Mr. Hastings of Framingham, petitions of Edward A. Atwood and others of Cohituate; of David E. Thompson and others of Saxonville; and of members of Engine Company No. 2 of Saxonville; and by Mr. Leary of Boston, petition of Engine Company No. 15 of Boston, Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

**Agricultural
experiment
stations.**

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of legislation providing for the disposal of the money appropriated by the United States for the support of agricultural experiment stations in this Commonwealth ;

**Massachusetts
Agricultural
Experiment
Station.**

Also, what further legislation is necessary concerning the board of government and the management of the Massachusetts Agricultural Experiment Station.

**Free public
libraries.**

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Education consider the expediency of further legislation in reference to the election and the powers and duties of trustees of free public libraries, or of free public libraries and reading-rooms, in towns.

**Controller of
accounts of
county officers.**

A Bill relating to the report of the controller of the accounts of county officers, officers of inferior courts and trial justices, introduced on leave in the Senate, was read and referred, in concurrence, to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence : —

**Pensioning call-
firemen of
Boston.**

Petitions of George N. Getchell and others ; of Samuel J. Wilde and others ; of Charles O. Barlow and others ; and of William Baker and others, — severally, for legislation relative to pensioning certain call-firemen of the fire department of the city of Boston.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

**Standish Monu-
ment Associa-
tion.**

Petitions of William S. Danforth and others ; and William J. Wright and others, — severally, in aid of the petition of the Standish Monument Association for aid from the Commonwealth in finishing the Standish Monument.

Severally to the committee on Expenditures.

**Boston Lying-
in Hospital.**

Petition of the Boston Lying-in Hospital for leave to hold additional real and personal estate. To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

**Massachusetts
State Firemen's
Association.**

Petitions of Charles H. Dyer and others ; and of E. B. Smith and others, — severally, in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others for an annual appropriation for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association, to aid firemen injured while in discharge of their duties.

Severally to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Petition of the Athol Water Company for legislation authorizing the town of Athol to purchase its property and to raise money to pay for the same. To the committee on Water Supply, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Athol Water Company.

Petition of Emily J. Tucker and others that women may be enabled to vote in all town and municipal elections. To the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Municipal suffrage for women.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making an appropriation for investigations into the best methods of protecting the purity of inland waters.

Appropriation bill, — purity of inland waters.

By Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making an appropriation for printing and binding the decennial census.

Appropriation bill, — decennial census.

By Mr. Dexter of Lowell, from the same committee, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury.

Appropriation bill, — State Almshouse at Tewksbury.

By Mr. Allen of Woburn, from the same committee, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Annie Fitzgerald of North Adams.

Annie Fitzgerald.

By Mr. Milne of Fall River, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on a petition, a Bill to authorize savings banks and institutions for savings to invest in the bonds and notes of the Boston and Lowell Railroad Corporation.

Savings banks, — Boston and Lowell Railroad Corporation.

By Mr. Gile of Worcester, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Beverly Fuel Society.

Beverly Fuel Society.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to change the name of the Harrell Manufacturing Company.

Harrell Manufacturing Company.

By Mr. Holman of Clinton, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to change the name of the Bridgman and Smythe Company to the William E. Smythe Company.

Bridgman and Smythe Company.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Salary of secretary of Civil Service Commissioners.

By Mr. Cutler of Somerville, from the committee on Public Service, that the Bill (introduced on leave in the Senate) to establish the salary of the secretary of the Civil Service Commissioners ought to pass. Referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Attorney-General.

By Mr. Colby of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (on leave) to provide for the appointment of two assistants to the Attorney-General ought not to pass.

Sale of goods, wares or merchandise by public auction.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Bill (taken from the files of last year) to further regulate the sale of goods, wares or merchandise by public auction ought not to pass.

Severally read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow, the question in each case being on the rejection of the bill.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on Expenditures, on the condition of the securities in the hands of the Treasurer and Receiver-General, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

Making appropriations for deficiencies in appropriations for certain expenses authorized in the year eighteen hundred and eighty-seven ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Primary School at Monson ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the Lyman School for Boys at Westborough ;

To incorporate the Town Neck Land and Improvement Company of Sandwich ; and

To increase the capital stock of the Old Colony Steamboat Company ; and the

Resolve in relation to public records of parishes, towns and counties ;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Prison, Massachusetts Reformatory, the Reformatory Prison for Women and for expenses in connection therewith ;

Making appropriations for sundry charitable expenses ;
and

In relation to the copying of certain plans and records in the registry of deeds for the Southern District of Middlesex County ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence, Rule 15 having been suspended, on motion of Mr. Symonds of Salem, in the case of the last-named bill.

The Bill to authorize the Supreme Council of the Royal Arcanum to hold its annual meetings in the District of Columbia and Dominion of Canada was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Resolution in relation to the despatch of business pending before committees was adopted, in concurrence, as follows : —

Resolved, That it is expedient, for the proper despatch of the business of the session, that committees to whom are referred matters of legislation which have received the attention of previous legislatures, or which have been subjects of public discussion, should report thereon forthwith, unless it appears that injustice will be done thereby.

Hour of Meeting.

Mr. Gordon of New Bedford moved that when the house adjourn to-day it be to meet to-morrow at half-past eleven o'clock A. M. Mr. Symonds of Salem moved to amend by inserting in place of the words "half-past eleven o'clock A. M.," the words "one o'clock P. M.," The amendment was carried, and the motion, as amended, was adopted.

At fifteen minutes before three o'clock, adjourned.

FRIDAY, January 27, 1888.

Met according to adjournment, at one o'clock P. M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report Received.

Report of
inspector of
gas and gas
meters.

The annual report of the inspector of gas and gas meters was received and was laid on the table.

Taken from the Table.

Licenses for the
sale of intoxi-
cating liquors.

On motion of Mr. Gile of Worcester, the request of Mr. Quincy of Quincy for leave to introduce a Bill concerning licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors was taken from the table, and, after debate, the House refused to grant leave for the introduction of the bill.

Petitions Presented.

Pensioning
call-firemen of
Boston.

By Mr. O'Neil of Boston, petition of C. H. Coffin and others; and by Mr. Hayes of Boston, petition of W. H. Lewis and others, — severally, for legislation relative to pensioning certain call-firemen of the fire department of the city of Boston.

Severally referred to the committee on Cities.

Purchase of
coal mines by
the National
Government.

By Mr. McEttrick of Boston, petition of the Local Assembly No. 3,123, Knights of Labor, that the Senators and Representatives delegated to the National Congress be instructed to use their endeavors toward the purchase of all coal mines by the National Government. Referred to the committee on Federal Relations.

Charles River
bridges.

By Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, petition of Richardson & Bacon and 33 others for the widening of draws in certain bridges across Charles River. Referred to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Weekly pay-
ment of wages.

By Mr. McEttrick of Boston, remonstrance of Local Assembly No. 3,123, Knights of Labor, against the repeal of the weekly payment act. Referred to the committee on Labor.

By Mr. McDonough of Boston, petition of Frederick E. Hurd and others for an act of incorporation as the Boston Real Estate Association. Referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Boston
Real Estate
Association.

By Mr. Ferry of Springfield, petition of the trustees of the State Primary and Reform Schools for an appropriation of \$4,000 for completing the plumbing at the State Industrial School for Girls.

State Industrial
School for Girls

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, petition of Hose Company No. 1 and others of Attleborough; by Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, petitions of M. W. Hanscom, Thomas Saunders, David B. Tenney and others of Haverhill; by Mr. Gleason of Boston, petition of Theodore W. Nelson and others; by Mr. Haggerty of Southbridge, petitions of Engine Company No. 2 of Globe Village, and of A. H. Wheeler and others; by Mr. Woods of Boston, petitions of Charles O. Stickney and others, and of Ladder Company No. 5 of Boston; and by Mr. Lovell of Boston, petition of Gershon Sherman and others,—severally, in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others of Boston for the passage of an act appropriating \$10,000 annually to the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

Massachusetts
State Firemen's
Association.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

By Mr. Hatch of Marshfield, petition of William Perkins and others that the compensation of members of the Legislature shall be determined by the laws in force at the time of their election.

Compensation
of members of
the Legislature.

By Mr. Miller of Needham, petition of George White for compensation for services performed by him as judge in the court of probate and insolvency of Plymouth County, while temporarily filling the vacancy caused by the death of the regular judge.

George White.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Service.

By Mr. Sohier of Beverly, remonstrance of R. W. Boyden and 154 citizens and legal voters of Beverly against the division of that town, giving \$8 of valuation per poll on one side to \$1 per poll on the other. Referred to the committee on Towns.

Division of
Beverly.

By Mr. Woodward of Wakefield, petition of William Montgomery and others for the annexation of a part of the town of Stoneham to the town of Wakefield. Re-

Annexation of
a part of
Stoneham to
Wakefield.

ferred to the committee on Towns, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Brookline
water supply.

By Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, petition of the town of Brookline for authority to increase its water supply and to raise money for that purpose. Referred to the committee on Water Supply, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Municipal
suffrage for
women.

By Mr. Smith of Athol, petition of Mrs. W. N. Richardson and 119 others for the enactment of a law enabling women to vote in all town and municipal elections. Referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Adeline Faxon,
—Boston Marine
Park.

By Mr. Noyes of Boston, petition of Adeline Faxon and others in favor of legislation authorizing the city of Boston to refund a portion of money paid as betterments on account of the Marine Park in said city.

Rosanna
Lockaby.

By Mr. Upham of Waltham, petition of Rosanna Lockaby that she may be paid the sum of money deposited with the State Treasurer from the estate of her aunt, Joanna Dallagher.

Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Barrett of Melrose, —

Funded indebt-
edness of the
Boston and
Lowell Rail-
road.

Ordered, That the committee on Banks and Banking submit in connection with the consideration of House Bill No. 47, being the Bill to authorize savings banks and institutions for savings to invest in the bonds and notes of the Boston and Lowell Railroad Corporation, a statement of the present funded debt, in detail, of the Boston and Lowell Railroad Corporation, and that the statement be printed for the use of the Legislature.

On motion of Mr. Griswold of Greenfield, —

Evening schools
in towns.

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of amending section 1 of chapter 174 of the Acts of 1883, being "An Act for the establishment and maintenance of evening schools," so as to require every town to establish and maintain evening schools whenever

the school committee of the town learn that there are ten or more illiterate minors, fourteen years of age or over, residing in the town.

On motion of Mr. Henry of Fall River, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of legislation providing that all persons who are injured in their person, property or means of support by reason of the intoxication of any person, shall be compensated or reimbursed for their loss or suffering, out of the money received from license fees, and as to providing for some tribunal to receive and pass upon such claims.

Compensation
for injuries
caused by
intoxicated
persons.

On motion of Mr. Pierce of Watertown, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of so amending section 6 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, that all owners of real estate within twenty-five feet of the place of business to be licensed shall have notice of the application for license served upon them in person.

Service of
notice of appli-
cations for
liquor licenses
upon owners
of real estate.

On motion of Mr. Manning of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of so amending section 18 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes that the penalty for the violation of the provisions of said chapter, and acts in amendment thereof, shall be fine and imprisonment.

Penalty for
violation of
liquor laws.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of so amending section 8 of chapter 215 of the Public Statutes that offences under chapters 100 and 101 of the Public Statutes relating to the illegal keeping and sale of intoxicating liquors shall be held to be similar offences within the meaning of said section, and that, in all cases arising under either of said chapters, the court shall have no discretion in imposing the penalty prescribed, unless the offender shows, to the satisfaction of the court, that he has not before been convicted of a violation of the provisions of either of said chapters or acts in amendment thereof, and that no other person has been so convicted in the same place within one year prior to the time the penalty is incurred.

Ibid.

Common
nuisances.

On motion of Mr. Ferry of Springfield, —

Liquors containing more than one per cent. of alcohol to be placed under police regulation.

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of placing all malt and other liquors containing more than one per cent. of alcohol under the police regulation.

On motion of Mr. Whitcher of Stoneham, —

Licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors.

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On motion of Mr. Warden of Waltham, —

Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Charitable Institutions consider the expediency of providing by law for the care and maintenance of young women of defective or feeble intellects in charge of the trustees of the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Report of the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded.

Ordered, That the committee on Printing consider the expediency of authorizing an increased number of copies of the annual report of the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded.

On motion of Mr. Hunt of Rockland, —

Publication of election laws.

Ordered, That the committee on Printing consider the expediency of providing for the publication of the laws relating to elections.

On motion of Mr. Hayes of Lynn, —

Salaries of State House firemen.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of such legislation as shall increase the salaries of the State House firemen.

Licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors.

The order laid over from yesterday relative to legislation providing that no licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors shall be issued, or shall have force or validity, after the 30th day of April next, was adopted.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Colby of Boston, —

Final reports of auditors, masters in chancery and special masters.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of fixing by law the time when final reports by auditors, masters in chancery and special masters shall be filed.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing by law for a third assistant clerk of the Superior Court, civil session, for the county of Suffolk. Third assistant clerk of Superior Court, civil session, for Suffolk County.

On motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of legislation concerning appeals from probate courts. Appeals from probate courts.

On motion of Mr. Blume of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of increasing the amount allowed the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Suffolk, by section 1 of chapter 205 of the Acts of the year 1885, for extra clerical assistance. Extra clerical assistance for Register of Probate and Insolvency for Suffolk County.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Brown of Boston, a Bill to amend an Act to provide for the free education of deaf-mutes or deaf children. Free education of deaf-mutes or deaf children.
Read and referred to the committee on Education.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, a Resolve in favor of the Soldiers' Messenger Corps. Soldiers' Messenger Corps.
Read and referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Southwick of Peabody, a Bill to amend section 16 of chapter 150 of the Public Statutes relating to appeals. Appeals.
Read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending chapter 127 of the Acts of the year 1882 as to provide some alternative punishment for children under twelve years of age in default of bail or non-payment of fine, or for any offence not punishable by imprisonment for life, of which such child may have been adjudged guilty. Punishment of juvenile offenders under twelve years of age.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of repealing chapter 24 of the Acts of the year 1885 relative to publication and presentation to the General Court of certain petitions. Publication and presentation of certain petitions to the General Court.

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Punishment of juvenile offenders under twelve years of age.

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Publication and presentation of certain petitions to the General Court.

Bills :

State Library.

Concerning the State Library ; and

Reports of the
Bureau of Sta-
tistics of Labor.

Relating to the printing and distribution of the annual reports of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor ;

Severally introduced on leave in the Senate and passed to be engrossed, were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Allowing
women to vote
on the liquor
question.

A report of the committee on the Liquor Law, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition of Mrs. C. D. Swett and others that women be allowed to vote on the question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors and recommending its reference to the committee on Woman Suffrage, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence.

List of pardons
for 1887.

A report of the committee on Prisons, no legislation necessary, on the report of the pardons issued by the Governor, by and with the advice of the Executive Council, during the year 1887, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday.

Report of State
House Commis-
sion.

The report of the State House Commission of the work performed and the expenditures made by it during the year ending Dec. 31, 1887, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on State House.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence :—

Boston Subur-
ban Land Com-
pany.

Petition of Eben Hutchinson and others to be incorporated as a real estate improvement company, under the name of the Boston Suburban Land Company. To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Massachusetts
State Firemen's
Association.

Petitions of J. A. Dooley and others and Charles H. Champney and others, — severally, in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others for an annual appropriation in aid of the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association, to aid firemen injured while in discharge of their duties.

Severally to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Salary of the
clerk of the
District Court
of Western
Hampden.

Petition of Homer B. Stevens and others for an increase of the salary of the clerk of the District Court of Western Hampden. To the committee on Public Service.

Resolve Passed.

An engrossed Resolve in favor of the widow of the late William H. Griffith (which originated in the House) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed
resolve.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the committee on Finance, on the communication from the Auditor of Accounts transmitting a communication from the trustees of the State Farm at Bridgewater relative to a clerical error in the estimates of appropriations for the State Farm, and on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Farm at Bridgewater.

Appropriation
bill,—State
Farm at Bridge-
water.

By Mr. Smith of Athol, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill providing for the enforcement of certain liens on personal property.

Liens on per-
sonal property.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Quincy of Quincy from the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to further protecting that class of operatives known as weavers from unjust and unnecessary deductions of wages for imperfect weaving. [Mr. Howard, of the Senate, and Messrs. Mellen of Worcester and Keane of Holyoke, of the House, dissenting.]

Fines for imper-
fect weaving.

Read and placed in the Orders of the Day for Monday.

Orders of the Day.

Bills:

Making an appropriation for investigations into the best methods of protecting the purity of inland waters ;

Orders of the
Day.

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury ;

Making an appropriation for printing and binding the decennial census ;

To change the name of the Bridgman and Smythe Company to the William E. Smythe Company ;

To incorporate the Beverly Fuel Society ; and

To change the name of the Harrell Manufacturing Company ; and the

Resolve in favor of Annie Fitzgerald of North Adams ;
Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to authorize savings banks and institutions for savings to invest in the bonds and notes of the Boston and Lowell Railroad Corporation was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Richards of Lynn, postponed for further consideration until next Monday.

Bills :

In relation to the Hitchcock Free High School in Brimfield ;

Making appropriations for deficiencies in appropriations for certain expenses authorized in the year 1887 ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Primary School at Monson ; and

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the Lyman School for Boys at Westborough ; and the

Resolve in relation to public records of parishes, towns and counties ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to increase the capital stock of the Old Colony Steamboat Company was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, its title having been amended, on motion of Mr. Brown of Boston, so as to read "Bill authorizing the Old Colony Steamboat Company to increase its capital stock," and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

The Bill (on leave) to provide for the appointment of two assistants to the Attorney-General was laid on the table and ordered to be printed, on motion of Mr. Blume of Boston, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary.

The Bill to further regulate the sale of goods, wares or merchandise by public auction (taken from the files of last year) was rejected, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary.

At six minutes past two o'clock, adjourned.

MONDAY, January 30, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports Received.

The annual report of the Harbor and Land Commissioners for the year 1887 was received, and was referred to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands and sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Harbor and Land Commissioners.

The abstract of the report of the Auditor of Accounts of the Commonwealth for the year ending December 31, 1887, was received, and was referred to the committee on Finance.

Abstract of the report of the Auditor of Accounts.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, petition of the Commonwealth Safe Deposit and Trust Company for a change of name. Referred to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Commonwealth Safe Deposit and Trust Company.

By Mr. Breed of Lynn, petition of the city of Lynn for such legislation as will make the tenure of office of policemen of the city of Lynn permanent.

Tenure of office of the police force of Lynn.

By Mr. White of Taunton, petition of the mayor of the city of Taunton for legislation empowering the city council of said city to appropriate money to celebrate the 250th anniversary of the founding of said city.

Taunton.

By Mr. Keane of Holyoke, petition of the mayor of Holyoke that the charter of said city be so amended that its police shall hold office during good behavior.

Tenure of office of the police force of Holyoke.

Severally referred to the committee on Cities with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

By Mr. Conwell of Provincetown, remonstrance of Joseph A. West and 132 others against the petition of the proprietors of Eastern Harbor Meadows and Beaches for exclusive right to use the waters of Eastern Harbor and the fishing and fowling therein. Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Proprietors of Eastern Harbor Meadows and Beaches.

Superior Court
of Plymouth
County, —
Brockton.

By Mr. Bixby of Brockton petition of Chas. W. Sumner and others, that the sittings of the Superior Court of Plymouth County may be begun and holden at Brockton with power of adjournment to Plymouth. Referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Miller's River
Gas Light
Company.

By Mr. Smith of Athol, petition of the selectmen and other citizens of Athol for legislation authorizing the town to license the Miller's River Gas Light Company to supply such gas as it now makes.

Vineyard
Haven Gas and
Electric Com-
pany.

By Mr. Vanderhoop of Gay Head, petition of Orson G. Stanley and others to be incorporated as the Vineyard Haven Gas and Electric Company.

Severally referred to the committee on Manufactures.

Boston Public
Library.

By Mr. Leary of Boston, petition of Wm. H. Whitmore, a trustee of the Boston Public Library, for legislation relative to the appointment of the trustees of said library. Referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Salisbury Beach
Plank Road
Company.

By Mr. Risteen of Amesbury, petition of the Salisbury Beach Plank Road Company for an extension of its charter.

St. Mark's
School of South-
borough.

By Mr. Robinson of Southborough, petition of the trustees of St. Mark's School of Southborough for legislation to enable them to hold property to an amount not exceeding \$300,000.

Fall River
Wire Clothes-
pin Manufactur-
ing Company.

By Mr. Milne of Fall River, petition of Seraphim Bergeron and others for an act of incorporation as the Fall River Wire Clothes-Pin Manufacturing Company.

Severally referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Frederick B.
Kellogg.

By Mr. Shaw of Newburyport, petition of Frederick B. Kellogg for State aid.

Dexter H.
Follett, — Bat-
tery A, First
Battalion Light
Artillery.

By Mr. Woodward of Wakefield, petition of Dexter H. Follett, Captain of Battery A, First Battalion Light Artillery, that said battery be reimbursed for damage done to a horse at the annual encampment of the Second Brigade at South Framingham, July, 1887.

William John-
son.

By Mr. Riddell of Nantucket, petition of William Johnson that he may be made eligible to receive State aid.

Mélanie
Demasener.

By Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, petition of Mélanie Demasener for State aid.

Severally referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. Warden of Waltham, petition of the trustees of the State Primary and Reform Schools relative to providing further accommodation for boys at the Lyman School at Westborough. Lyman School at Westborough.

By Mr. Southwick of Peabody, petition of H. F. Walker, Albert A. Carleton and others; by Mr. Conwell of Provincetown, petition of D. F. Lewis and others; by Mr. Holman of Clinton, petition of Edward F. McCaffrey and others; and by Mr. Walworth of Newton, petition of Henry L. Bixby and 70 others, — severally, in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others of Boston, for the passage of an act appropriating \$10,000 annually to the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association. Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

By Mr. Willis of New Bedford, petition of Thomas J. Cobb, clerk of the Third District Court of Bristol for an increase of salary. Referred to the committee on Public Service. Salary of clerk of the Third District Court of Bristol.

By Mr. Wilkinson of Cambridge, remonstrance of Frank W. Slater and others; by Mr. Mellen of Worcester, remonstrance of James MacDonald and others; and by Mr. Hagerty of Boston, remonstrance of P. T. Costello and others, — severally, against the repeal or modification of the law abolishing contract convict labor throughout the Commonwealth. Contract convict labor.

Severally referred to the committee on Prisons.

By Mr. Hall of Taunton, petition of the mayor of the city of Taunton for legislation which will authorize the city council of said city to issue additional water bonds to the amount of \$100,000. Referred to committee on Water Supply with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct. Taunton water bonds.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Hastings of Framingham, petition of Henry Redo for compensation for injury sustained by him while extinguishing a fire at the State Normal School at Framingham. Referred to the committee on Finance. Henry Redo.

Orders.

Destruction of
birds and ani-
mals destructive
to farm crops.

On motion of Mr. Turner of South Scituate, —

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of providing by law for the offering of bounties for the destroying of injurious birds and other animals, including English sparrows, crows, hawks, foxes and wood-chucks, which are destructive to farm crops.

Assessment and
taxation of
dogs as personal
property.

On motion of Mr. Brigham of Marlborough, —

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of providing by law for the assessment and taxation of dogs as personal property.

Incorporation
of State, county
and subordinate
granges.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of providing by law for the incorporation of State, county and subordinate granges.

Board of
Charity Com-
missioners for
Boston.

On motion of Mr. E. J. Donovan of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of legislation providing for the appointment by the mayor of Boston, of a Board of Charity Commissioners who shall perform all the duties now devolving on the Overseers of the Poor.

Advanced
course of in-
struction in
public schools
of cities of
100,000 in-
habitants.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of legislation authorizing the establishment, in all cities of not less than 100,000 population, an advanced course of instruction in connection with the public school system, that shall embrace the curriculum of the academic course at Harvard College.

Lobsters.

On motion of Mr. Gordon of New Bedford, —

Ordered, That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of repealing the statutes which apply to lobster fishing, except such as relate to the seed-bearing lobsters; and of permitting the catching and use of small lobsters for bait excepting the seed-bearing lobsters.

Travelling ex-
penses of the
justices of the
Supreme Judi-
cial and Supe-
rior Courts.

On motion of Mr. Collison of Boston, —

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation to provide for the payment of the travelling expenses of the justices of the Supreme Judicial and Superior Courts.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Boston, —

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending sections 10 and 11 of chapter 203 of the Public Statutes relating to burglary.

On motion of Mr. Dunlea of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of such legislation as will regulate the employment of labor by street railway companies operating in the various cities and towns of the Commonwealth.

On motion of Mr. Risteen of Amesbury, —

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of legislation forbidding the imposition of fines, or other deduction of pay, for imperfect work, by any corporation chartered by or doing business in this Commonwealth.

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of reporting a resolve directing the Bureau of Statistics of Labor to collect statistics as to the number of wage earners, such as mechanics, laborers and others who work for a daily or weekly stipend; also the number of salaried people and all others who are not classed as wage earners or operatives that are making deposits in the savings banks of the State.

On motion of Mr. Haynes of Sturbridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of further amending section 24 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, by adding these words in the second line after the word "minor," "for his own use, the use of his parents or that of any other person," and further by adding at the end of the section these words, "actions and suits for penalties and forfeitures under this section shall be commenced within six years after the offense is committed, and not afterwards."

On motion of Mr. Perkins of Winchendon, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of amending section 10 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes by adding after the word "apothecaries" under sixth class, the words "or any suitable person."

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law con-

Burglary.

Employment of labor by street railways.

Fines for imperfect work by employees of corporations.

Labor statistics, — wage earners.

Penalty for furnishing liquor to minors.

Intoxicating liquors, sixth class licenses.

Civil Damage Act.

sider the expediency of providing that in all cases arising under the Civil Damage provisions of the law against persons licensed to sell intoxicating liquor, the suit may be entered against such licensed person and his sureties in the first instance and judgment rendered against such person and his sureties jointly and severally.

On motion of Mr. Cheney of Worcester, —

Limiting number of liquor licenses in cities and towns voting "yea" on the liquor question.

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of such legislation as shall limit the number of licenses granted in any city or town voting "Yes" under the existing local option law, to one to each one thousand inhabitants of said city or town.

On motion of Mr. Milne of Fall River, —

Vote on question of licenses for sale of intoxicating liquors to be taken in March or April.

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of providing that the vote on the question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors, in the cities of the Commonwealth, be taken in the months of March or April at an election held especially for that purpose.

On motion of Mr. Hagerty of Boston, —

Pilotage fees.

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of allowing an increase of pilotage fees to the Vineyard Sound pilots for taking vessels in and out of Wood's Holl Harbor.

On motion of Mr. Vanderhoop of Gay Head, —

Examining board of the militia.

Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of so amending section 53 chapter 411 of the Acts of the year 1887 that the examining board shall consist of three officers appointed by the commander-in-chief instead of the brigade and battalion commanders as now required by said section.

On motion of Mr. Walworth of Newton, —

Armories.

Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of legislation for constructing or securing regimental or battalion armories for the use of the militia.

On motion of Mr. Hayes of Lynn, —

Pollution of ponds and streams from which ice is cut.

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health ascertain what further legislation is necessary to protect, from pollution, all ponds and streams from which ice is cut for merchandise.

On motion of Mr. Pratt of Abington, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of legislation increasing the salary of the district attorney of the southeastern district, and the allowance of additional sums to those already allowed by law for assistance.

Salary of the District Attorney of the Southeastern District.

On motion of Mr. Risteen of Amesbury, —

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of legislation requiring all railroads chartered by or running trains in the State of Massachusetts to place upon the front and rear platforms of all cars a safety rail or gate to be kept closed while the train is in motion, said rail or gate not to be less than three feet in height.

Safety rails on platforms of railroad cars.

On motion of Mr. Dresser of Medford, —

Ordered, That the committee on Street Railways consider the expediency of legislation to provide that no location or alteration, or revocation of location of a street railway shall hereafter be valid unless approved by the railroad commissioners, and that no street railway company shall enter upon or use the tracks of another street railway company, unless the railroad commissioners shall, after hearing all parties, decide that the public convenience and necessity requires such use.

Location of street railways.

On motion of Mr. Noonan of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Street Railways consider the expediency of legislation that will prohibit the crowding of horse-cars and limit the carrying capacity of each street car to forty-four persons.

Limiting the carrying capacity of street cars.

On motion of Mr. Slocum of Newton, —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of exempting municipal bonds from taxation. Severally sent up for concurrence.

Exemption of municipal bonds from taxation.

On motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing by law that no person or persons shall fraudulently represent or personate any spirit or deceased person, at any seance or religious meeting.

Spirit representations at seances or religious meetings.

On motion of Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of such legislation as will more effectually

Foreign corporations.

control and regulate the conduct and business of foreign corporations having a usual place of business within this Commonwealth.

On motion of the same gentlemen, —

Increased penalties for the taking of animals without consent of owner.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of further legislation increasing the penalties for the offences described in section 53 of chapter 203 of the Public Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Wharton of Boston, —

Voting by proxy in corporations.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending the provisions of law relating to voting as proxy or attorney on shares of stock of corporations organized under the laws of the Commonwealth.

On motion of Mr. Morton of West Boylston, —

Codification of laws relating to selectmen and other town officers.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation providing for a compilation and codification of the laws relating to and defining the powers and duties of the boards of selectmen and other town officers and the publication of the same for the use of towns and the officers thereof.

On motion of Mr. Wiley of Hardwick, —

Issuing of criminal complaints by justices of the peace.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 4 of chapter 155 of the Public Statutes and chapter 286 of the Acts of 1884, so as to give to justices of the peace designated and appointed to issue criminal complaints, who do not live within the judicial district of a police or district court, the same powers as to those who do live in such judicial district.

On motion of Mr. Lovell of Boston, —

Protection from loss of life by fire in places of amusement.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending chapter 104 of the Public Statutes as to provide for the further protection from loss of life from fire in places of amusement.

On motion of Mr. Leary of Boston, —

Sale of tobacco and articles of food on the Lord's Day.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider what changes if any are desirable in chapter 98 of the Public Statutes or chapter 391 of the Acts of 1887, especially in regard to the retail sale of cigars and tobacco and articles of food, and also in regard to persons who observe Saturday as a day of worship and rest.

On motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of regulating by statute the creation of estates tail by wills. Estates tail by wills.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of regulating by statute the validity of agreements to make wills of real and personal estate and agreements to make legacies, in such manner that all such agreements shall be void unless such agreements are in writing signed by the party whose executor or administrator is sought to be charged, or by some person by such party authorized in writing. Validity of agreements to make wills of real and personal estate, and agreements to make legacies.

On motion of Mr. Warden of Waltham, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of legislation looking towards the final settlement of estates in which are interested persons who have been absent and unheard of for twenty years, or some other fixed period of time. Settlement of estates of deceased persons.

On motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of further legislation in relation to what shall constitute an act of insolvency by a corporation mentioned in section 127 of chapter 157 of the Public Statutes. Insolvency.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of so amending section 65 of chapter 178 of the Public Statutes as to better define and protect the rights of executors and administrators and others who may have rights in land of which partition is made by sale. Executors and administrators, — partition of lands by sale.

On motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of authorizing the proof of claims against the insolvent estate of a deceased person before commissioners appointed to receive the proof thereof after the expiration of two years from the appointment of the executor or administrator, provided the commissioners are appointed within that time, and of authorizing probate courts in such case to grant a license to sell the real estate of the deceased for the payment of Proof of claims against the insolvent estate of a deceased person.

debts after the expiration of two years from the appointment of the executor or administrator.

On motion of Mr. Upham of Waltham, —

Building for
probate and
insolvency
courts, at Cam-
bridge.

Ordered, That the committee on County Estimates consider the expediency of authorizing the county commissioners of Middlesex County to erect an additional building in Cambridge for the accommodation of the probate and insolvency courts and to give additional room for the registry of deeds, at an expense not exceeding \$125,000, and to raise the same by taxation.

Introduced on Leave.

Truant schools.

By Mr. Symonds of Salem, a Bill to authorize the establishment of truant schools. Read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Papers from the Senate.

Investments of
savings banks.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of further legislation relating to the investments of savings banks.

Attendance and
duties of
trustees of sav-
ings banks.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of further legislation relating to the attendance and duties of trustees of savings banks.

Residence of
voters, assess-
ment of poll
taxes and prepa-
ration of vot-
ing lists.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending the laws relative to determining the residence of voters, the assessment of poll taxes, and the preparation of voting lists.

Labor in factor-
ies, etc., on
legal holidays.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Labor consider the expediency of legislation prohibiting persons from being employed in a factory, workshop or mercantile establishment upon legal holidays.

Licensing of
druggists and
apothecaries.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of so amending section 1 of chapter 431 of the Acts of the year 1887, relating to the licensing of druggists and apothecaries, that the act shall be permissive and not mandatory.

General law for
change of name
of corporations.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of providing by a general law for a change of name by a corporation organized by special charter, or under the general laws of the Commonwealth.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Rail-roads consider the expediency of providing for greater safety by the removal of standing wood at grade crossings, where said crossings occur in woodlands.

Standing wood at grade crossings in woodlands.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on State House consider the expediency of furnishing additional conveniences for the Senate.

Additional conveniences for the Senate.

A Bill to define the meaning of the words "contract for the labor of prisoners," as used in chapter 447 of the Acts of the year 1887, reported on a House order and passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Contract for the labor of prisoners.

Reports :

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, no legislation necessary, on the report of the Chief of the District Police for the year ending Dec. 31, 1887; and

Report of chief of district police.

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of James Hickey for the payment to him of a bounty for enlistment and service in the war of the rebellion;

James Hickey.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

A Bill concerning the printing and distribution of the annual report of the State Board of Arbitration, introduced on leave in the Senate, was read and referred in concurrence, to the committee on Printing.

Annual report of the State Board of Arbitration.

The ninth annual report of the Board of Lunacy and Charity was referred, in concurrence, as follows :—

Annual report of the Board of Lunacy and Charity.

So much thereof as refers to public charitable institutions and insane hospitals to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

So much thereof as relates to an inebriate asylum to the committee on Prisons.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence :—

Petition of Henry B. Williams and others for amendment to statutes relating to watchmen in family hotels.

Watchmen in family hotels.

Petition of O. F. Swift and others of Springfield for the repeal of chapter 127 of the Acts of the year 1882, relating to juvenile offenders, and the enactment of suitable and proper laws in place thereof.

Juvenile offenders.

Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Pensioning call-firemen of Boston.

Petitions of Lewis P. Bird and others; of Albert Schell and others; of John E. Wharton and others; and of Irving W. Campbell and others, — severally, for legislation relative to pensioning certain call-firemen of the fire department of the city of Boston.

Severally to the committee on Cities.

L. M. Sheldon.

Petition of L. M. Sheldon for authority to construct a bridge across the creek separating his house and lot from his farm. To the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Licensing of druggists and apothecaries to sell intoxicating liquor.

Petition of Isaac C. Howland and others for the repeal of chapter 431 of the Acts of 1887 relative to licensing druggists and apothecaries to sell intoxicating liquors and the re-enactment of so much of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes as was repealed by said Act. To the committee on the Liquor Law.

Thomas Kelly.

Petition of Thomas Kelly for State aid. To the committee on Military Affairs.

Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

Petitions of members of Engine Company No. 32; Engine Company No. 19; Engine Company No. 25; and Hook and Ladder Company No. 2, — severally, in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others for an annual appropriation for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association, to aid firemen injured while in discharge of their duties.

Severally to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Municipal suffrage for women.

Petitions of Martha Clapp and others; Mrs. C. L. F. Cooper and others; Mrs. Charles Brigham and others; Byron I. Haskell and others; Charles D. Adams and others; Obed Nickerson and others; James Yeames, Jessie Forsyth and others; Solomon F. Root and others; and of Rev. Charles W. Biddle and others, — severally, that women may be enabled to vote in all town and municipal elections.

Severally to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Report of Committee.

Mutual Boiler Insurance Co. of Boston.

By Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, from the committee on Insurance, on a petition, a Bill to amend the charter of the Mutual Boiler Insurance Company of Boston. Read and ordered to a second reading.

Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.

Engrossed bills :

In relation to the copying of certain plans and records in the registry of Deeds for the Southern District of Middlesex County. Bills enacted, —
resolve passed.

Making appropriations for compensation and mileage of officers and men of the Volunteer Militia, and for other expenses of the military department ;

Making appropriations for the salaries and expenses of the State District Police Force ; and

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Industrial School for Girls (which severally originated in the House) ; and

To authorize the Supreme Council of the Royal Arcanum to hold its annual meetings in the District of Columbia or Dominion of Canada (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

An engrossed Resolve relative to furnishing members of the Legislature with copies of the Massachusetts Red Book (which originated in the House), was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motions of Mr. McCooley of Blackstone the report of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to further protecting that class of operatives known as weavers from unjust and unnecessary deductions of wages for imperfect weaving, was discharged from the orders of the day under a suspension of the rule and was postponed for consideration until Tuesday, February 7, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day. Deductions of
wages for
imperfect
weaving.

Orders of the Day.

The Bill to authorize savings banks and institutions for savings to invest in the bonds and notes of the Boston and Lowell Railroad Corporation was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Symonds of Salem, pending the question on ordering to a third reading. Orders of the
Day.

The Bill to incorporate the Town Neck Land and Improvement Company of Sandwich was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Prisons, no legislation necessary, on the report of the pardons issued by the Governor, by and with the advice of the Executive Council, during the year 1887, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Farm at Bridgewater ; and

Providing for the enforcement of certain liens on personal property ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Making an appropriation for investigations into the best methods of protecting the purity of inland waters ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury ;

Making an appropriation for printing and binding the decennial census (Rule 15 having been suspended on motion of Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg) ;

To change the name of the Bridgman and Smythe Company (its title having been amended on motion of Mr. Brown of Boston) ;

To incorporate the Beverly Fuel Society ; and

To change the name of the Harrell Manufacturing Company ; and the

Resolve in favor of Annie Fitzgerald of North Adams ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

At six minutes past three o'clock, adjourned.

TUESDAY, January 31, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reconsideration.

Mr. McCall of Winchester moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, adopted the following order offered by him :—

Spirit representations at seances or religious meetings.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing by law that no person or persons shall fraudulently represent or personate any spirit or deceased person, at any seance or religious meeting.

The motion prevailed, and pending the recurring question on its adoption the order was withdrawn by Mr. McCall, there being no objection.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Hill of Spencer, petition of Charles N. Prouty and others for an act of incorporation for the encouragement of agriculture, horticulture and the arts. Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Encouragement of agriculture.

By Mr. Noyes of Boston, petition of Richard J. Monks and others for an act of incorporation as a loan and trust company.

Richard J. Monks and others,—loan and trust company.

By Mr. Morton of West Boylston, petition of C. M. Harris and others, for a charter for a savings bank at West Boylston.

Savings bank at West Boylston.

By Mr. Grosvenor of Ludlow, petition of Geo. A. Birnie and others for an act of incorporation as the Ludlow Savings Bank.

Ludlow Savings Bank.

Severally referred to the committee on Banks and Banking.

By Mr. Slocum of Newton, petitions of the mayor and aldermen of New Bedford; of the mayor and aldermen of Holyoke; of the mayor and aldermen of Haverhill; of the mayor and aldermen of Worcester; of the mayor

Tenure of office of police officers in towns.

and aldermen of Somerville; of the mayor and aldermen of Newton; and of the mayor and aldermen of Malden, severally for a general law relative to the removal and tenure of office of police officers in the several cities of the Commonwealth.

City charter
for North
Adams.

By Mr. Lyons of North Adams, petition of A. W. Preston and others for a city charter for the town of North Adams.

Severally referred to the committee on Cities.

Winthrop, —
clams.

By Mr. Floyd of Winthrop, petition of Lucius Floyd and others for authority to license the planting of clams in the town of Winthrop. Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Henry Lee and
others, — Insur-
ing real estate
owners from
certain claims.

By Mr. Wharton of Boston, petition of Henry Lee and others for a charter for a corporation to conduct the business of insuring real estate owners against liability to persons receiving injuries from accidents happening upon or originating from said real estate. Referred to the committee on Insurance.

Judicial district
for Amesbury,
Salisbury and
Merrimac.

By Mr. Goss of Amesbury, petition of J. T. Clarkson and others that Amesbury, Salisbury and Merrimac may be made into a judicial district, and for the establishment of a district court for the same at Amesbury. Referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Hours of labor.

By Mr. Keane of Holyoke, petition of Patrick O'Connor and other workers in paper mills for such legislation as will reduce their hours of labor to sixty-five and one-half hours per week. Referred to the committee on Labor.

Spencer Gas
Company, —
water gas.

By Mr. Hill of Spencer, petition of the selectmen and 400 citizens of Spencer for such laws as will authorize the Spencer Gas Company to manufacture and sell water gas. Referred to the committee on Manufactures.

Boston Catholic
Cemetery
Association.

By Mr. Doherty of Boston, petition of James F. Mulen and other lot owners in the Boston Catholic Cemetery Association asking for legislation relating to the management of said association.

Temporary
Home for the
Destitute.

By Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, petition of John Ayres and others for change of name of the Temporary Home for the Destitute.

By Mr. Gile of Worcester, petition of P. L. Moen and others to change the name of the Trustees of the Home for Aged Females in said city to Trustees of the Home for Aged Women.

Home for
Aged Females
in Worcester.

Severally referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

By Mr. Trull of Tewksbury, petition of Charles D. Clarke and others to change the name of the "Parish of St. Anne's" to that of the "Parish of All Saints." Referred to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.

Parish of St.
Anne's.

By Mr. Champlin of Chelsea, petition of H. M. Howard and others of Chelsea; by Mr. Haggerty of Southbridge, petition of W. E. Alden and others of Southbridge; by Mr. Lally of Milford, petition of Hose Company No. 3 of Hopedale; and by Mr. Tompkins of New Bedford, petition of Engine Company No. 5 and others of New Bedford, — severally, in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others of Boston for the passage of an act appropriating \$10,000 annually to the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

Massachusetts
State Firemen's
Association.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, petition of Mary Nuttall that she may be recompensed for suffering caused by the death of her brother, Thomas Nuttall, at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury.

Mary Nuttall.

By Mr. Warden of Waltham, petition of the trustees of the Baldwinsville Hospital Cottages for an appropriation of \$15,000 for additional accommodations for said institution.

Baldwinsville
Hospital
Cottages.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

By Mr. Milliken of Malden, petition of Dr. George Dutton and others for the repeal of the compulsory vaccination laws. Referred to the committee on Public Health.

Vaccination.

By Mr. Kearn of North Adams, petition of George P. Lawrence and others that the salary of the clerk of the District Court of Northern Berkshire be increased.

Salary of the
clerk of North-
ern Berkshire.

By Mr. Flynn of Boston, petition of Samuel Brackett and others for an increase of salary of officers of the municipal court for criminal business in the city of Boston.

Samuel Brackett
and others, —
salaries of offi-
cers of the
municipal
criminal court
in Boston.

Salary of clerk
of the First
District Court of
Southern Mid-
dlesex.

Salary of as-
sistant inspector
of gas meters
and illuminating
gas.

Framingham
Union Street
Railway Com-
pany.

Abatement of
taxes to lessees.

True and equi-
table valuation
of property by
the assessors of
Boston.

Town appro-
priations.

Division of
Beverly.

Fires.

Salaries of jus-
tices of the
Supreme, Ju-
dicial and Su-
perior courts.

By Mr. Hastings of Framingham, petition of Joseph H. Ladd, clerk of the First District Court of Southern Middlesex for an increase of salary.

By Mr. Morey of Lowell, petition of Chas. D. Jenkins, assistant inspector of gas meters and illuminating gas, for increase of salary.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Service.

By Mr. Hastings of Framingham, petition of the Framingham Union Street Railway Company for authority to issue coupon or registered bonds and to make a mortgage to pay for the same. Referred to the committee on Street Railways, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

By Mr. Blume of Boston, petition of Wm. Zinn for legislation giving lessees who pay taxes the same remedies and right for an abatement as are now given to owners.

By Mr. E. J. Donovan of Boston, petition of the Common Council of the city of Boston for such legislation as will secure a true and equitable valuation of the property of the citizens of said city by the assessors.

Severally referred to the committee on Taxation.

By Mr. Woodward of Wakefield, petition of James F. Emerson and others that chapter 29 of the Public Statutes be so amended as to prevent diverting appropriations voted by a town to meet the expenses of one year to the payment of bills of other years.

By Mr. Sohier of Beverly, remonstrance of Austin Whitcomb and 50 citizens and legal voters of Beverly against the division of that town, giving \$8 of valuation per poll on one side to \$1 per poll on the other.

Severally referred to the committee on Towns.

By Mr. Blake of Bedford, petition of Lydian Emerson and others for the enactment of a law enabling women to vote in all town and municipal elections. Referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Bixby of Brockton, petition of Albert R. Wade and others for an amendment of section 35 of chapter 35 of the Public Statutes relating to fires.

By Mr. Colby of Boston, petition of Sidney Bartlett, Wm. G. Russell, A. A. Ranney and others that the salaries of the justices of the Supreme Judicial and Superior Courts be increased.

By Mr. Gile of Worcester, petition of John M. Berry for legislation enabling the people to get proportionate representation in the Legislature. Proportional representation in the Legislature.

By Mr. Milne of Fall River, petition of James M. Morton and others relative to the erection of a court house in Fall River. Fall River Court House.

Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. E. J. Donovan of Boston, petition of Owen McDonald for renewal of annuity. Owen McDonald.

By Mr. Gile of Worcester, petition of Chas. D. Stevens and Thomas Harrington for payment to the Pegan or Dudley tribe of Indians a sum of money due to them. Pegan Indians.

Severally referred to the committee on Finance.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Russell of Maynard, —

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of legislation to prevent the wilful or malicious injury to certain trees. Injury to certain trees.

On motion of Mr. Wharton of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of amending the laws regulating the investments of savings banks so that such institutions may invest a portion of their deposits in the first mortgage bonds of certain railroad corporations established under the laws of States other than Massachusetts. Investments of savings banks in railroad bonds.

On motion of Mr. Parkman of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of amending the laws relative to the division of cities into wards. Division of cities into wards.

On motion of Mr. Slocum of Newton, —

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of revising and amending the city charter of the city of Newton. Newton, — city charter.

On motion of Mr. Lovell of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of establishing a Board of Public Works for the city of Boston. Board of public works for the city of Boston.

On motion of Mr. Noonan of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of legislation that will protect primary caucuses, meetings or gatherings wherein candidates Illegal voting at caucuses.

for State or municipal offices are nominatad, so as to make it a crime punishable by imprisonment for a person or persons to come from any other ward, district, city, town or State to vote or attempt to vote when not legally qualified to vote in said ward, town or district.

On motion of Mr. Russell of Maynard, —

Check lists.

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of legislation to prevent information being given or obtained from check-lists while in use at any national, State or municipal election, or the use of such information for the purpose of sending for persons who may appear not to have voted.

On motion of Mr. Blume of Boston, —

Inspection of fish.

Ordered, That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of abolishing the Fish Inspection Law.

On motion of Mr. Sullivan of Boston, —

South Boston Flats, — public playing ground or park in South Boston.

Ordered, That the committee on Harbors and Public Lands consider the expediency of setting off a certain portion of the tract of land known as the South Boston Flats, situated in South Boston, as a park or public playing ground.

On motion of Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, —

Valuation of policies of foreign insurance companies.

Ordered, That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of amending section 11, chapter 214 of the Acts of 1887, so as to authorize the Insurance Commissioner, at his discretion, to accept the valuation of the policies of any foreign company, made and certified to by the proper official of the State where such company is organized.

On motion of Mr. Hall of Taunton, —

Uniform dockets and blanks in inferior courts and before trial justices.

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of prescribing by law uniform dockets and uniform blanks in the inferior courts and before trial justices.

On motion of Mr. Quincy of Quincy, —

District police force.

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of consolidating into one act all laws whose enforcement is within the authority of the district police force, and all laws relating in any way to said force, with such changes therein as may seem desirable.

On motion of Mr. Grosvenor, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of amending section 33 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes so as to give authority to search the persons as well as the premises of those suspected of illegally selling intoxicating liquors. Search of persons suspected of illegal liquor selling.

On motion of Mr. Russell of Maynard, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of amending section 9 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes by striking out the words "Shall not keep a public bar and." Public bars.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of amending chapter 100 of the Public Statutes so that cider and native wines shall not be excepted from the provisions of said chapter. Cider and native wines.

On motion of Mr. Milliken of Malden, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of providing that no license shall be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors, in any city or town of the Commonwealth, until the applicant for such license shall have presented a bond in one thousand dollars, which sum shall be forfeited to such city or town if the peace be disturbed in the saloon, or liquor sold to a minor or an habitual drunkard. Forfeiture of bonds of liquor dealers.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of such legislation as will fix by law the liability of telegraph companies for the non-delivery or unnecessary delay of telegraph messages. Liability of telegraph companies for non-delivery of telegraph messages.

On motion of Mr. Floyd of Winthrop, —

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of restricting in certain cases the use of particular corporate names. Corporate names.

On motion of Mr. Walworth of Newton, —

Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of amending section 97, chapter 411 of the Acts of 1887, so as to provide for a more equitable distribution of the sum paid by the State for armory rents. Distribution of money for armory rents.

On motion of Mr. Adams of Lowell, —

Ordered, That the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies consider the expediency of legislation to prohibit Voting and office-holding in religious corporations.

or regulate voting and office-holding in religious corporations by members under the age of 21 years.

Vaccination. On motion of Mr. Milliken of Malden, —
Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of amending the laws in relation to vaccination, and especially in regard to the modification of the same relative to the exclusion of unvaccinated children from school.

Sale of poisons. On motion of Mr. Haynes of Sturbridge, —
Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of such legislation as shall make the sale and use of poisons by mistake impossible.

Ibid. On motion of Mr. Clark of Huntington, —
Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of amending chapter 38 of the Acts of 1887, entitled "An Act regulating the sale and purchase of poisons," by striking out, in the fourth and fifth lines thereof, the words "or any other deadly poisonous substance or compound."

Ibid. On motion of Mr. Hartwell of Ayer, —
Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of amending section 6 of chapter 208 of the Public Statutes in relation to the sale of poisons.

Holding of office by members of political committees. On motion of Mr. Dexter of Lowell, —
Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of providing that in any city or cities no member of a political committee shall hold any paid office or employment the salary whereof is payable from the treasury of such city.

Salary of the Secretary of the Commonwealth. On motion of Mr. Cutler of Somerville, —
Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

Taxation of property situated outside of the State, but owned by citizens of the State. On motion of Mr. Raymond of Somerville, —
Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of so amending the law concerning taxation as to exempt from taxes here all property, or the evidences of property and franchises, situated outside of this State but owned by citizens of, or residents in, this Commonwealth.

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of such legislation as will enable the assessors of cities and towns to secure the information necessary as to the holders of municipal and other taxable bonds, to the end that a larger proportion be forced to pay their just share of the taxes.

Taxation of
municipal and
other bonds.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of legislation increasing the tax on deposits in savings banks.

Increase of tax
on deposits in
savings banks.

On motion of Mr. Lovell of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of amending section 8 of chapter 11 of the Public Statutes, so as to include for the purposes of taxation all registered and enrolled vessels.

Taxation of
enrolled and
registered
vessels.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Dunlea of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of such legislation as will tend to make more stringent the laws in relation to the placing of guards around elevator wells.

Elevator wells.

On motion of Mr. Colby of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing a law that no person or persons shall fraudulently represent or personate any spirit or deceased person, at any seance or religious meeting.

Spirit represen-
tations at
seances or relig-
ious meetings.

On motion of Mr. Lally of Milford, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing a clerk for the Third District Court of Southern Worcester.

Clerk for Third
District Court
of Southern
Worcester.

On motion of Mr. Hayes of Lynn, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of such legislation as shall prevent the execution of the death penalty upon any criminal in the Commonwealth for any offence; that shall take from the Governor and Council the power of pardon in murder cases, except as is hereinafter provided; that shall provide that the penalty for the degrees of murder shall be from the extreme penalty for manslaughter twenty years imprisonment to imprisonment during the natural life: *provided*, that the Governor and Council may, upon the

Abolishment of
the death
penalty.

submission of such new evidence as will tend reasonably to establish the innocence of the prisoner, grant a pardon or release.

On motion of Mr. Smith of Athol, —

Service of notice of petitions to enforce liens on buildings and land.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending the law relative to notice and service of notice of petitions for the enforcement of liens on buildings and land and the service of process relative thereto.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

First District of Northern Worcester.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 3 of chapter 215 of the Acts of 1884, establishing the First District Court of Northern Worcester, so as to specifically authorize the holding of said court daily, except on Sundays and legal holidays, for criminal business at both Gardner and Athol.

On motion of Mr. Preble of Boston, —

Appointment and removal of court officers.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 67 of chapter 159 of the Public Statutes relative to the appointment and removal of officers for attendance upon the several sessions of the Superior Court in the County of Suffolk; also prescribing certain powers and duties of such officers; also of amending section 12 and section 22 of chapter 170 of the Public Statutes relating to service of venire and summoning jurors and returning venires, and section 1 of chapter 37 of the Acts of 1886 relating to the salaries of certain court officers in the County of Suffolk.

On motion of Mr. Gile of Worcester, —

Costs in inferior courts and before trial justices.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of further legislation in the matter of the taxing, certifying, revising and paying costs which accrue in the inferior courts and before trial justices.

On motion of Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, —

Executions upon judgments in personal actions against defendants out of the State.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending section 8 of chapter 164 of the Public Statutes as to define with more certainty the conditions upon which plaintiffs may take out executions upon judgments in personal actions against defendants who are out of the Commonwealth.

Taken from the Files of Last Year.

On motions of Mr. Crowell of Dennis, the petition of Thomas H. Bacon and others for authority to build a canal between the Atlantic Ocean or Nantucket Sound and Cape Cod Bay, was taken from the files of last year and was referred to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands and sent up for concurrence.

Thomas H. Bacon, — Canal between the Atlantic Ocean or Nantucket Sound and Cape Cod Bay.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Richards of Lynn, a Bill relating to co-operative banks. Read and referred to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Co-operative banks.

By Mr. Blume of Boston, a Bill to provide for the appointment of a commissioner of manufacturing corporations. Read and referred to the committee on Manufactures.

Commissioner of manufacturing corporations.

By Mr. Warden of Waltham, a Bill concerning admissions to the asylum for insane at Tewksbury. Read and referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Admissions to the Asylum for Insane at Tewksbury.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of repealing chapter 359 of the Acts of the year 1885 relative to the disposition of cases for the violation of the laws relating to the sale of intoxicating liquors.

Disposition of cases for the violation of the liquor laws.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of changing the time for holding the sessions of the Superior Court in the several counties of the Commonwealth.

Time for holding sessions of the Superior Court.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing for the appointment of an assistant district attorney for the Middle District.

Assistant district attorney for Middle District.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Cities consider the expediency of providing for the payment of salaries to members of the Common Council of the city of Boston.

Salaries for members of the Boston Common Council.

Massachusetts
State Agent to
collect a certain
claim.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Expenditures consider the expediency of authorizing the Massachusetts State Agent at Washington, D. C., to take steps to recover the amount of the direct State tax levied by the United States and paid by the Commonwealth during the late rebellion.

Reports of
Board of Agri-
culture and
Massachusetts
Agricultural
Experiment
Station.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Printing consider the expediency of increasing the number of copies, to be printed annually, of the Reports of the Secretary of the Board of Agriculture and of the Massachusetts Agricultural Experiment Station, to be bound in one volume; also of printing an additional number of copies of the Report of the Massachusetts Agricultural Experiment Station, to be bound separately, and of providing for the distribution of the above named reports.

Salary of chief
examiner of the
Civil Service
Commissioners.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the chief examiner of the Civil Service Commissioners.

A. O. Delano,—
salary of clerk
of Second Dis-
trict Court of
Eastern Middle-
sex.

A report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of A. O. Delano, clerk of the Second District Court of Eastern Middlesex, for an increase of salary, accepted by the Senate, was read, and, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Warden of Waltham, was laid on the table.

Consolidation of
Board of Health
with the City
Registrar's
Department of
Boston.

A report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Board of Aldermen of the city of Boston for an act to consolidate the Board of Health with the City Registrar's department, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the Orders of the Day for to-morrow.

Bills :

Birds and game.

To amend chapter two hundred and seventy-six of the Acts of the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-six relating to the preservation of birds and game; and

Inland fisheries
and kelp.

To amend chapter ninety-one of the Public Statutes relating to inland fisheries and kelp;

Severally introduced on leave in the Senate, were severally read and referred in concurrence to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Town of
Brooks.

A Bill to incorporate the town of Brooks (taken from the Senate files of last year) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Towns.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence : —

Petition of William A. Tower and other citizens of Cary Library.
Lexington for incorporation as the Cary Library. To the
committee on Education.

Petition of E. M. Chamberlin and others for the aboli- Poll-tax as a
prerequisite for
voting.
tion of the poll-tax as a prerequisite for voting. To the
committee on Election Laws.

Petition of Nathan Weston, assignee of George M. George M.
Weston.
Weston, for compensation for services performed by said
George M. Weston in procuring the passage by Congress
in 1859 of a resolve under which the Commonwealth of
Massachusetts received the amount of her claim for money
expended for the General Government during the war of
1812. To the committee on Expenditures.

Petition of the Berkshire Life Insurance Company for Berkshire Life
Insurance
Company.
an amendment of its charter. To the committee on In-
surance.

Petition of William D. Mahony and others for such Trade unions.
legislation as will incorporate trade unions and other
labor organizations.

Petition of W. P. Cherrington and others that the Hours of labor.
hours of labor for State, city and town employees may be
fixed at eight hours per day.

Severally to the committee on Labor.

Petition of the Hawes Place Congregational Society for Hawes Place
Congregational
Society.
an amendment of its charter. To the committee on Par-
ishes and Religious Societies.

Petitions of George E. Muzzey and others ; H. Child Massachusetts
State Firemen's
Association.
and others ; George Flint and others ; D. A. Dow and
others ; William B. Foster and others ; E. E. White and
others ; Hose Company No. 8 of Worcester ; Protective
Company No. 1 of Lowell ; Abram C. Holbrook and
others ; Thomas W. Cornway and others ; J. B. Corbett
and others, and Charles G. Green and others, — severally,
in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others
for an annual appropriation for the Massachusetts State
Firemen's Association, to aid firemen injured while in
discharge of their duties.

Severally to the committees on Public Charitable Insti-
tutions.

Boston, Win-
throp and Shore
Railroad Com-
pany.

Petition of the Boston, Winthrop and Shore Railroad Company for authority to sell a part of its road to any railroad corporation.

John F.
Hemming.

Petition of John F. Hemming for an investigation of a certain portion of the report of the Board of Railroad Commissioners for the year 1878, and also for repeal of chapter 225 of the Acts of 1882, concerning discrimination in freight rates by railroad corporations, and for the revival of chapter 94 of the Acts of the same year.

Severally to the committee on Railroads.

Water supply
of the city of
Lynn.

Petition of the mayor of the city of Lynn that said city be authorized to issue bonds for the purpose of increasing the capacity of its present sources of water supply. To the committee on Water Supply.

Reports of Committees.

Courts not to
charge juries as
to matters of
fact.

By Mr. Bottum of Northampton, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending or repealing section 5 of chapter 153 of the Public Statutes, which provides that the courts shall not charge juries with respect to matters of fact, but may state the testimony and the law.

Old Indian
Burying Ground
in Natick.

By Mr. Pratt of Abington, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Nathaniel Bartlett and others of Natick, for legislation relative to the protection of the Old Indian Burying Ground in said town.

Delivery of
bodies of exe-
cuted criminals
to medical
institutions.

By Mr. Flynn of Boston, from the same committee, no legislation necessary, on an order relative to providing for the delivery of the bodies of executed criminals to medical institutions for dissection.

Collections of
animals.

By Mr. Haggerty of Southbridge, from the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring exhibitors of animals to have the same named by a reliable zoölogist and the English as well as the scientific name placed on, above or below the cage or standing place of each.

Prohibitory
liquor law.

By Mr. Manning of Worcester, from the committee on the Liquor Law, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Massachusetts Christian Temperance Union, for legislation relative to the repeal of the local option law, and for the enactment of a law prohibiting the manufacture and sale of all alcoholic liquors as a beverage.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Massachusetts Temperance Alliance for the repeal of existing laws authorizing the sale of intoxicating beverages and for the enactment of a prohibitory law. Prohibitory liquor law.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation providing that no licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors shall be issued, or shall have force or validity after the thirtieth day of April next. Ibid.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Bill relating to the printing and distribution of the annual reports of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor ought to pass. Reports of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor.

By Mr. Dexter of Lowell, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill concerning the State Library ought to pass. State library.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills:

Making appropriations for the Commonwealth Flats Improvement Fund and for the Prison and Hospital Loan Sinking Fund; Bills enacted.

Making appropriations for certain educational expenses; and

In addition to an act to incorporate the Proprietors of Forest Hills Cemetery;

(Which severally originated in the House);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports:

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, no legislation necessary, on the report of the Chief of the District Police for the year ending Dec. 31, 1887; and Orders of the Day.

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of James Hickey for the payment to him of a bounty for enlistment and service in the war of the rebellion;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To amend the charter of the Mutual Boiler Insurance Company of Boston ; and

To define the meaning of the words " contract for the labor of prisoners," as used in chapter 447 of the Acts of the year 1877 ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Farm at Bridgewater ; and

Providing for the enforcement of certain liens on personal property (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading so as to read " An Act to amend section twenty-four of chapter one hundred and ninety-two of the Public Statutes, relating to the enforcement of certain liens upon personal property") ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

At fifty-five minutes past two o'clock, adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, February 1, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports Received.

The annual report of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks was received and was referred to the committee on Banks and Banking and sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks

The annual report of the State Board of Arbitration was received and was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Report of State Board of Arbitration,

Abstract of Returns of Liquor Licenses.

The abstract of returns received from the several cities and towns by the Secretary of the Commonwealth, November, 1887, under the requirements of section 5, chapter 100, Public Statutes, showing the number of licenses issued for the sale of intoxicating liquors, etc., was received, referred to the committee on the Liquor Law, and sent up for concurrence.

Abstract of returns of liquor licenses.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Dame of Newbury, petition of James R. Adams for reimbursement of expenses in the case of hog cholera among his swine.

James R. Adams.

By Mr. Temple of Colrain, petition of Geo. E. Bemis and others for an act of incorporation as the Village Improvement Association of Charlemont.

Village Improvement Association of Charlemont.

Severally referred to the committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Holbrook of Weymouth, petition of Joseph S. Bradley and others, and by Mr. Wharton of Boston, petition of the Board of Investment of the South Boston Savings Bank and others, — severally, for legislation concerning savings banks investments.

Savings banks investments.

Severally referred to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Aldermen and common council of Malden.

By Mr. Wilde of Malden, petition of the city of Malden for an amendment of chapter 49 of the Acts of 1887, and confirming the election of aldermen and common council on the first Tuesday of December, 1887.

Tunnel from Boston proper to East Boston.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, petition of N. M. Jewett and others, to allow the city of Boston to construct a tunnel from Boston proper to East Boston.

City charter of Newton.

By Mr. Slocum of Newton, petition of Edwin O. Childs for a revision and amendment of the city charter of the city of Newton.

Revision of the city charter of Lawrence.

By Mr. Hinchcliffe of Lawrence, petition of the mayor of Lawrence for a revision of the charter of said city.

Severally referred to the committee on Cities.

Northampton sewer commissioners.

By Mr. Bottum of Northampton, petition of Daniel W. Bond and others for establishment of a board of sewer commissioners in said city.

Marlborough sewerage.

By Mr. Brigham of Marlborough, petition of the selectmen of the town of Marlborough for legislation to enable the town to put in a sewerage system.

Severally referred to the committee on Drainage.

Waltham sewers.

By Mr. Warden of Waltham, petition of the city of Waltham for authority to issue bonds to provide for the construction of a system of sewers and drains. Referred to committee on Drainage, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

F. L. Capen, — meteorological station.

By Mr. Quincy of Quincy, petition of F. L. Capen and others for the establishment of a meteorological station. Referred to the committee on Education.

Weighing of fish when landed from vessels.

By Mr. Noonan of Boston, petition of Lewis Trainor and others for legislation to regulate the weighing of fish when landed from vessels.

Seals in Ipswich and Plum Island Rivers.

By Mr. Norwood of Hamilton, petition of the selectmen of Ipswich; and by Mr. Dame of Newbury, petition of J. H. Newman and others, — severally, for legislation concerning the destruction of seals in Ipswich and Plum Island Rivers.

Scallop fishing in Buzzard's Bay.

By Mr. Delano of Marion, petitions of B. F. Gibbs and others, and of S. O. Phinney and others; and by Mr. Eldridge of Bourne, petition of Noah H. Wright and others, — severally, for legislation for the protection of the scallop fisheries at the head of Buzzard's Bay, and to define the laws in relation thereto.

By Mr. Burnham of Essex, petition of Albert E. Cogswell and others for legislation to protect the shad fisheries of Mill River and tributaries in town of Essex. Shad fishing in Mill River and tributaries.

Severally referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Dame of Newbury, petition of Samuel Coffin and others that the town of Salisbury may be annexed to the Judicial District of Newburyport. Referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary. Salisbury.

By Mr. Church of Cambridge, petition of the Order of the Iron Hall for leave to amend its charter and to have other additional privileges. Referred to the committee on Insurance. Order of the Iron Hall.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, petition of D. F. Moreland and others for legislation to prohibit the employment of young girls and women in that branch of the morocco leather business known as bleeding or seasoning. Employment of young girls in bleeding or seasoning morocco leather.

By Mr. Close of Cambridge, petition of F. A. Kennedy & Co. and others for legislation authorizing the Chief of the State Police to grant special permits to extend the hours of labor. Chief of State Police, — extension of hours of labor.

Severally referred to the committee on Labor.

By Mr. Woodward of Wakefield, petition of the Bay State Gas Company for leave to increase its capital stock, and for other purposes. Referred to committee on Manufactures, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct. Bay State Gas Company.

By Mr. Keane of Holyoke, petition of the Union Canadienne of Holyoke for incorporation. Union Canadienne of Holyoke.

By Mr. Blume of Boston, petition of the Boston Water Power Co., for authority to purchase the land and assets of the Brookline Land Company. Boston Water Power Company, — Brookline Land Company.

By Mr. Adams of Lowell, petition of J. W. Bennett and others for an act of incorporation to enable them to buy, sell, lease and improve land in the city of Lowell, and the towns of Tewksbury, Tyngsborough, Dracut, Chelmsford, Westford and Billerica in said Commonwealth. J. W. Bennett and others, — Real Estate Improvement Company of Lowell.

By Mr. Seavey of Medway, petition of the trustees of the Foxboro' Cemetery corporation for authority to take certain land to make an entrance to their cemetery. Foxborough Cemetery Corporation.

By Mr. Symonds of Salem, petition of George Wheatland and others for permission for the proprietors of the Harmony Grove Cemetery of Salem and Peabody to acquire additional lands. Harmony Grove Cemetery of Salem and Peabody.

**Mt. Pleasant
Cemetery
Association.**

By Mr. Turner of South Scituate, petition of I. C. Foster and others for incorporation as the Mt. Pleasant Cemetery Association.

**Atlantic Wharf
Company.**

By Mr. Story of Gloucester, petition of the Atlantic Wharf Co. for confirmation of certain acts, and for authority to hold real estate.

**St. Francis de
Sales Catholic
Total Absti-
nence Society.**

By Mr. O'Neil of Boston, petition of St. Francis de Sales Catholic Total Abstinence and Literary Society for leave to hold real estate to the amount of fifty thousand dollars and to issue mortgage bonds secured on said real estate.

**Dakota
Mortgage Loan
Company.**

By Mr. McCall of Winchester, petition of the Dakota Mortgage Loan Corporation for a change of name and additional powers.

**Jeffries Club of
Boston.**

By Mr. Kennedy of Boston, petition of Patrick J. Kennedy, that the name of the Jeffries Club of Boston be changed to the Jeffries Yacht Club.

Severally referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Louis A. Kent.

By Mr. James Donovan of Boston, petition of Louis A. Kent for State aid.

S. F. Sullivan.

By Mr. Hayes of Lynn, petition of S. F. Sullivan for additional bounty.

**William
Gibbons.**

By Mr. Clark of Natick, petition of William Gibbons of Natick, Company F, 19th Regiment Massachusetts Volunteers, for money alleged to be due him from the State.

Louisa Lawson.

By Mr. Haggerty of Southbridge, petition of Louisa Lawson for State aid.

Severally referred to the committee on Military Affairs.

**Trustees of the
Greene
Foundation.**

By Mr. Wharton of Boston, petition of C. H. Parker and others, trustees of the Greene Foundation, for leave to hold additional real estate.

**Woman's
American
Baptist Home
Mission Society.**

By Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, petition of the Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society for an extension of the scope of its work.

Ohabei Shalom.

By Mr. Blume of Boston, petition of Isaac Rosnosky and others to amend the charter of Ohabei Shalom.

**First Unitarian
Society of
Revere.**

By Mr. Miller of Chelsea, petition of Edward G. Tutein and others, for an act to confirm the incorporation of the First Unitarian Society of Revere.

**First Parish of
West Roxbury.**

By Mr. Brewer of Boston, petition of the First Parish, West Roxbury, for legislation to enable it to become a religious society.

By Mr. Witt of Boston, petition of J. Loughran Scott and E. M. McPherson, for special legislation concerning the incorporation of Presbyterian churches;

Presbyterian churches.

Severally referred to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies.

By Mr. James Donovan of Boston, petition of Lemira C. Pennell for an investigation of the Acts of certain officials of the State Board of Health, Lunacy and Charity in 1883, in endeavoring to cause her to be detained in a lunatic hospital.

Lemira C. Pennell.

By Mr. Seavey of Medway, petitions of selectmen of Foxborough, for State aid for the family of George Leonard.

George Leonard.

By Mr. Noyes of Boston, petition of the House of the Good Shepherd in Boston for an appropriation.

House of the Good Shepherd in Boston.

By Mr. Symonds of Salem, petition of the trustees of the New England Industrial School for Deaf-Mutes for aid for said school.

New England Industrial School for Deaf-Mutes.

By Mr. Ferry of Springfield, petition of the city of Springfield for payment of a claim against the Commonwealth to said city.

City of Springfield.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

By Mr. Hall of Taunton, petition of Franklin Gray and Henry A. Thayer for extra compensation for services rendered the county of Bristol by them as County Commissioners during the erection of the House of Correction in New Bedford.

Bristol County Commissioners.

By Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, petition of E. W. Law for increase of salary as clerk of the Third District Court of Eastern Middlesex.

Salary of clerk of Third District Court of Eastern Middlesex.

By Mr. Story of Gloucester, petition of James Davis, standing justice of the police court of Gloucester for an increase of salary.

Salary of justice of police court of Gloucester.

By the same gentleman, petition of Sumner D. York, clerk of the police court of Gloucester for an increase of salary.

Salary of clerk of police court of Gloucester.

By Mr. Gleason of Boston, petition of the Turnkeys, Watchmen and Assistant Watchmen of the State Prison for an increase of salary.

Salaries of officers at the State Prison.

By Mr. Bixby of Brockton, petition of C. W. Robinson, clerk of the police court of Brockton for an increase of salary.

Salary of clerk of Brockton police court.

Salary of sheriff
of Suffolk
County.

By Mr. Colby of Boston, petition of the sheriff of Suffolk County for increase of salary.

Salary of
treasurer of
Plymouth
County.

By Mr. Pratt of Abington, petition of Albert Davis, treasurer of the county of Plymouth, for an increase of salary.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Service.

Railroad across
land of West-
borough Insane
Hospital.

By Mr. Smith of Athol, petition of Harding Allen and others for a location for a railroad across land of the Westborough Insane Hospital. Referred to the committee on Railroads.

Town of
Florida.

By Mr. Kearns of North Adams, petition of Nathan White and others to remunerate the town of Florida for the money spent by said town in building, in 1872, a road along Deerfield River.

Establishment
of grades in
Medford.

By Mr. Dresser of Medford, petition of Pearl Martin and others for legislation authorizing the town of Medford to establish grades.

Severally referred to the committee on Roads and Bridges.

Street railway
fares in Boston.

By Mr. Parkman of Boston, petition of Causten Browne and others for regulation of fares on Street Railways in the city of Boston.

West End
Street Railway
Company.

By Mr. Driscoll of Lynn, petition of J. Driscoll for the revocation of the charter of the West End Street Railway Company.

Severally referred to the committee on Street Railways.

Change of name
of South
Scituate.

By Mr. Turner of South Scituate, petition of Joseph W. Briggs and others in aid of the petition for a change of name of the town of South Scituate. Referred to the committee on Towns.

Annexation of
part of Tewks-
bury to Lowell.

By Mr. Qua of Lowell, petition of E. Sheppard and sons and others that a part of the town of Tewksbury be annexed to the city of Lowell. Referred to the committee on Towns, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Boston water
supply.

By Mr. Backup of Boston, petition of the Boston Water Board for legislation to protect the purity of the water supply of the city of Boston.

Randolph
water bonds.

By Mr. Thayer of Randolph, petition of the Water Commissioners of Randolph for authority to issue additional water bonds.

Severally referred to the committee on Water Supply.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Milliken of Malden, petition of C. T. Deblois and others for the enactment of a mandatory law imposing imprisonment for carelessness in the use of fire-arms. Penalty for careless use of fire-arms.

By Mr. Colby of Boston, petition of George William Esterbrook praying that certain acts done by him as a notary public may be ratified and confirmed. G. W. Esterbrook.

Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, petition of Henry O. Downing for legislation relative to granting administration on the estates of deceased persons. Referred to the committee on Probate and Insolvency. Administration of the estates of deceased persons.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Griswold of Greenfield, —

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of amending section 82 of chapter 102 of the Public Statutes so as to provide that license fees for dogs not paid on or before the first day of May shall be doubled in amount. License fees for dogs.

On motion of Mr. Haskell of Deerfield, —

Ordered, That the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of amending sections 18 and 22 of chapter 60 of the Public Statutes relating to weights and measures. Weights and measures.

On motion of Mr. Cannell of Everett, —

Ordered, That the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of amending the sixth clause of section 20 of chapter 116 of the Public Statutes by providing that the principal therein referred to may be certain manufacturing corporations located in the New England States. Investments of savings banks, — manufacturing corporations as principals on bonds.

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of legislation reducing the limit or sum that one depositor may place in a savings bank, from \$1,000 to \$500. Deposits in savings banks.

On motion of Mr. Quincy of Quincy, —

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of amending chapter 234 of the Acts of the year 1887, so as to make its provisions apply to every case where a woman is detained in or given accommodation in a police station. Police matrons in cities.

On motion of Mr. Gile of Worcester, —

Constitutional amendment,—
appointment of
Attorney-General,
district attorneys,
sheriffs, and
other officers.

Ordered, That the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments consider the expediency of so amending or altering the Constitution of the Commonwealth as to provide for the appointment instead of the election of the Attorney-General, district attorneys of the several districts, sheriffs, registers of probate, registers of deeds, clerks of courts and commissioners of insolvency, and to fix the tenure and pay of said officers by the Constitution.

On motion of Mr. Collison of Boston, —

Constitutional amendments,—
census of legal
voters and
inhabitants.

Ordered, That the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments consider the expediency of amending articles 21 and 22 of the amendments to the Constitution, as follows: In line 7 of page 44, and line 1 of page 45, of the printed Public Statutes by striking out the words, "residing in each ward of such city," and substituting the words "in such detail and by such description of residence as the legislature may from time to time enact." Also by striking out the words "ward of a city" wherever else it occurs in said articles twenty-one and twenty-two or in article sixteen of the Amendments to the Constitution, and substituting the words "sub-division of a city established by law as a voting district."

On motion of Mr. Wilde of Malden, —

Teaching of
civil govern-
ment in schools.

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of providing for the teaching of civil government in all grammar and high schools and other schools known as common schools, and all private schools wherein children of school age are in attendance.

On motion of Mr. Milne of Fall River, —

Evening draw-
ing and indus-
trial schools.

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of providing for the establishment and maintenance of evening drawing and industrial schools in cities of ten thousand and more inhabitants.

On motion of Mr. Wadlin of Reading, —

Education of
illiterate
minors.

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of amending the laws relating to the education of illiterate minors.

On motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester, —

Evening schools
for minors who
have not
completed a
grammar school
education.

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of legislation providing for the attendance at evening schools of minors between the ages of fourteen

and eighteen who have not completed what is understood as a grammar school education.

On motion of Mr. Barrett of Melrose, —

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of revising all laws relating to school supervision in cities and towns of 5,000 or more inhabitants.

School supervision.

On motion of Mr. Collison of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of providing for the tenure of office of superintendents of schools in cities and towns of 10,000 and more inhabitants.

Tenure of office of superintendents of schools.

On motion of Mr. Warden of Waltham, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending sections 11, 12 and 25 of chapter 298 of the Acts of 1884 by striking out the word "September" where it occurs in said sections, and inserting the word "October."

Assessment of taxes.

On motion of Mr. Milliken of Malden, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of extending the time in which assessments may be made for the payment of poll taxes.

Assessment of poll taxes.

On motion of Mr. Carman of Fall River, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of compelling the assessors of cities and towns to open their office in the evening from seven until nine o'clock on the last three days of the time allowed by law for the purpose of assessing polls, and from seven until nine in the evening of the last three days of registration.

Assessors,— payment of poll taxes.

On motion of Mr. E. J. Donovan of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of legislation that will prohibit any person connected in any official capacity whatsoever with any court in the State from serving on a regular standing committee of any political party.

Court officials as members of political committees.

On motion of Mr. Crowell of Dennis, —

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending so much of section 5, chapter 262 of the Acts of 1886 as relates to the hour of meeting of the city, town and ward clerks provided for in said section.

Hour of meeting of city, town, and ward clerks.

On motion of Mr. Fottler of Boston, —

Voting of real
estate owners.

Ordered, That the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of such legislation as will authorize legal voters owning real estate in cities and paying a tax thereon to vote at municipal elections in said cities, notwithstanding that they vote and have a legal residence elsewhere.

On motion of Mr. Gile of Worcester, —

Settlement and
payment of
claims of the
Commonwealth
against the
Federal
Government.

Ordered, That the committee on Federal Relations consider the expediency of legislation to expedite the settlement and payment of claims of this Commonwealth against the Federal Government.

On motion of Mr. Gordon of New Bedford, —

Striped bass
fishing in waters
of Cuttyhunk.

Ordered, That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of such legislation as will protect the fishing for striped bass in the waters of the island of Cuttyhunk.

On motion of Mr. O'Neil of Sudbury, —

Trapping
or killing
musk-rats.

Ordered, That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of prohibiting by law the trapping or killing of musk-rats, a fur-bearing animal, between the months of September and February.

On motion of Mr. Hastings of Framingham, —

Woodcock.

Ordered, That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of amending the present limit law in relation to the hunting of woodcock.

On motion of Mr. Church of Cambridge, —

Payment of
benefits by
beneficiary
associations.

Ordered, That the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of legislation giving to beneficiary or other corporations, associations or societies organized under chapter 115 of the Public Statutes, or earlier statutes corresponding thereto, other or greater powers and privileges than now allowed by law, and especially in regard to the payment of benefits to their members during their lifetime.

On motion of Mr. Hall of Taunton, —

Criminal terms
of the Superior
Court for
Bristol County.

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing by law for the holding of separate criminal terms of the Superior Court for the county of Bristol.

On motion of Mr. Dresser of Medford, —

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation to more effectually prevent the sale of tobacco in any form to minors. Sale of tobacco to minors.

On motion of Mr. McEttrick of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of legislation providing for half-time schools for children employed in factories and other workshops of the Commonwealth. Half-time schools for children employed in factories and workshops.

On motion of Mr. Quincy of Quincy, —

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of legislation requiring proper sanitary provisions and proper means of ventilation in public buildings and in school-houses and empowering the district police force to enforce such legislation. Sanitary provisions and ventilation in public buildings and school-houses.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of legislation in relation to the duties of the district police force as inspectors of factories and public buildings, or in relation to an increase in the number of said force. District police as inspectors of factories and public buildings.

On motion of Mr. Lyman of Belchertown, —

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of the repeal or the amendment of chapter 263 of the Acts of the year 1887, it being "An Act making the first Monday of September, known as Labor's Holiday, a legal holiday." Labor Day.

On motion of Mr. Floyd of Winthrop, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of amending chapter 431 of the Acts of the year 1887 so as to require persons purchasing alcoholic liquors of druggists to present physicians' prescriptions before such sales are made, which prescriptions shall conform to the requisitions of section three of said chapter. Sale of alcoholic liquors by druggists.

On motion of Mr. Pierce of Watertown, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of amending section 7 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, by inserting after the word "premises" in the fifth line the words "or a license to be exercised by a retail dealer of the fourth class to sell liquors not to be drunk on the premises." Intoxicating liquors,—adjoining owners.

Members of the
Law and Order
League as
jurors in trials
of liquor cases.

On motion of Mr. Cronin of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of such legislation as shall prohibit members of the Law and Order League and similar organizations from serving as jurors on trials for the violation of the provisions of chapters 100 and 101 of the Public Statutes.

Voting by
counties on the
liquor question.

On motion of Mr. Gracey of Salem, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of so amending the present local option law as to allow the vote on the liquor license question to be taken by counties, so that any county whose voters shall pass a majority of no-license votes shall have no license in that county. In the event of a majority of "yes" votes, any town or city voting "no" in said county to be entitled to no license as under the existing laws.

Check list to be
used in voting
on the liquor
question.

On motion of Mr. Haynes of Sturbridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of providing by law, that in taking the vote upon the question, "Shall licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors be granted in this town or city," each side of the question shall be represented by an election officer and the check list shall be used.

Police, municipal and district
courts, and
trial justices, —
forfeiture of
liquors.

On motion of Mr. Griswold of Greenfield, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of amending chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, so as to give police, municipal, district courts, and trial justices jurisdiction to forfeit liquors the value of which exceeds fifty dollars.

Appointment
of agents for
counties to aid
in prosecutions
under the
liquor law.

On motion of Mr. Manning of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of the appointment by the Governor and Council of agents for each county to aid in prosecutions under the liquor law.

Water gas.

On motion of Mr. Upham of Waltham, —

Ordered, That the committee on Manufactures consider the expediency of amending section 14 of chapter 61 relating to the inspection of gas and gas meters so as to permit the manufacture of water gas for illuminating and other purposes.

On motion of Mr. Atwood of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of legislation as to placing electric wires underground. Electric wires underground.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of such legislation as shall cause to be recorded all leases and conditional bills of sale of personal property, in the same manner and within the same period as provided in the several sections of chapter 192 of the Public Statutes for the recording of mortgages of personal property. Recording leases and bills of sale of personal property.

On motion of Mr. Walworth of Newton, —

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of legislation in reference to the construction and maintenance of conduits for underground wires in the cities and towns of this Commonwealth. Conduits for underground wires.

On motion of Mr. Haggerty of Southbridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of regulating by statute the amount to be charged by telephone companies in this State. Telephone rates.

On motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, —

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of such legislation as will secure greater care in the transmission and delivery of telegraph messages. Transmission and delivery of telegraph messages.

On motion of Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, —

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of legislation which shall make it illegal for any individuals, bodies corporate, associations or companies of any sort, residing, located or transacting business in this State, to enter into any combination, or to make any contract, agreement or arrangement of any kind or character, directly or indirectly, with any other individuals, bodies corporate, associations or companies residing, located or transacting business in this State, by which the price of any article of merchandise or commerce, or of any article intended for sale, use or consumption, shall be fixed at any common standard or figure, or by which its price to the public shall be in any manner controlled, regulated or established; and that it shall not Preventing the formation of trusts, combinations and pools to control prices of articles of trade, use and merchandise.

be lawful for any such persons or bodies to make any contract or to enter into any obligation, covenant or agreement of any sort by which they shall bind themselves not to sell or dispose of any article of trade, use, merchandise, commerce or consumption below a common standard or figure, or by which they shall agree in any manner to keep the price of said article at a fixed or graduated figure, or by which they shall in any manner establish or settle the price of any article between them so as to preclude amongst themselves at all times free and unrestricted competition, or by which they shall agree to pool, combine or unite any interests they may have in connection with the sale of such article, as the result of which its price might in any manner be affected.

Telephone rates.

On motion of Mr. Hayes of Lynn, —

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of regulating by law the rates that can be charged for the use of telephones.

Annual report of State Board of Arbitration for 1887.

On motion of Mr. Quincy of Quincy, —

Ordered, That the committee on Printing consider the expediency of reporting a resolve providing for printing and distributing the annual report of the State Board of Arbitration for the year 1887.

Temporary aid for State paupers.

On motion of Mr. Ferry of Springfield, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Charitable Institutions consider the expediency of repealing the provisions of section 18 of chapter 84 of the Public Statutes relating to temporary aid to State paupers.

Detention of persons at the State Almshouse and State Farm.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Charitable Institutions consider the expediency of re-enacting the provisions of law contained in chapter 198 of the Acts of 1866, so far as they relate to the detention in the State Almshouse and the State Farm, of any of the descriptions of persons contained in sections 29 and 37 of chapter 207 of the Public Statutes, and of extending such provisions to the inmates of city almshouses.

Adulteration and sale of lard.

On motion of Mr. Gunn of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Health consider what legislation is necessary concerning the adulteration and sale of lard.

On motion of Mr. Lally of Milford, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of amending section 95 of chapter 11 of the Public Statutes in relation to the compensation of assessors.

Compensation
of assessors.

On motion of Mr. Keane of Holyoke, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of further legislation in regard to the fixing of the fees of bail commissioners.

Fees of bail
commissioners.

On motion of Mr. Hastings of Framingham, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of legislation equalizing or re-establishing the salaries of the justices and clerks of the several police and district courts within the Commonwealth.

Salaries of
justices and
clerks of police
and district
courts.

On motion of Mr. E. J. Donovan of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of legislation that shall require the deputy sheriffs of Suffolk County to make a sworn return of all fees received by them, annually, to the Secretary of State.

Returns of fees
of deputy
sheriffs of
Suffolk County.

On motion of Mr. Allen of Woburn, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of granting to clerks of police and district courts compensation for absence not exceeding thirty days in any one year at a rate per day equal to the respective salaries of said clerks, said compensation to be paid by the treasurers of the several counties to the persons appointed clerk *pro tem.* by the justice of said several courts.

Clerks of police
and district
courts.

On motion of Mr. Milne of Fall River, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the second clerk of the Commissioners of Savings Banks.

Salary of clerk
of Commission-
ers of Savings
Banks.

On motion of Mr. Lothrop of Cohasset, —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of legislation increasing the salaries of the Commissioners of Savings Banks.

Salaries of
Commissioners
of Savings
Banks.

On motion of Mr. Keane of Holyoke, —

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of further legislation for the protection of railroad employees.

Railroad
employees.

Railroad Commissioners,—
fares on
railroads.

On motion of Mr. Dame of Newbury, —

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of providing by law that when the Railroad Commissioners make any recommendation as to fares or rates of fare for the transportation of passengers within this Commonwealth, on any railroad, that such recommendation shall be binding upon such railroad, and such railroad may be compelled to conform thereto.

Liability of
cities, towns
and railroads at
highway grade
crossings.

On motion of Mr. Wharton of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of amending section 166 of chapter 112 of the Public Statutes relative to the liability of cities, towns and railroads at highway grade crossings.

Private ways
across railroads.

On motion of Mr. Ferry of Springfield, —

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of such legislation as will enable railroad corporations to take or abolish any private way across railroad tracks or its lands used for railroad purposes.

Charles River
drawbridges.

On motion of Mr. Dresser of Medford, —

Ordered, That the committee on Roads and Bridges consider the expediency of the appointment by the Governor of three commissioners to inquire into the use, cost and necessity of maintaining drawbridges over the Charles River, and the expediency of abolishing the same, said commissioners to report thereon to the next Legislature.

Salaries of
Railroad
Commissioners.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Street Railways consider the expediency of increasing the salaries of the Railroad Commissioners as compensation for additional services required in connection with the street railways of the Commonwealth.

Committee on
Street Railways.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on Street Railways be authorized to employ a stenographer in taking testimony upon the petitions for elevated railroads, and have such parts of said testimony printed as may be deemed necessary for the information of the committee.

Discount
on taxes.

On motion of Mr. Floyd of Winthrop, —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of repealing sections 65 and 66 of chapter 11 of the Public Statutes relating to discount on taxes.

On motion of Mr. Hayes of Lynn, —

Ordered, That the committee on Towns consider the expediency of general legislation concerning town divisions. Town divisions.

On motion of Mr. Gile of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committees on Water Supply and on Drainage jointly consider the expediency of providing for a water and drainage commission, defining their duties and powers and providing for their compensation, and of providing by general law for the taking of water and the disposal of sewage within the Commonwealth. Water and drainage commission.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Flynn of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation to prohibit the taking of excessive interest or other compensation for loans. Excessive interest on loans.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation relative to providing that liquor licenses shall not terminate on the death of the licensee, but shall belong to the legal representative of the deceased. Termination of liquor licenses.

On motion of the same gentleman, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of further legislation limiting the rates or charges of interest by law. Limiting rates of interest.

On motion of Mr. Woodward of Wakefield, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending the provisions of the Public Statutes in such a manner that will place the control of ponds within the jurisdiction of the selectmen of towns or some other board of officers, so far as relates to the filling of said ponds or the erection of wharves or other structures thereon. Ponds.

On motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation conferring upon any town the right to choose a committee to have the care of the trees upon its streets and of its squares and parks. Care of trees in towns.

On motion of Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, —

Disposal and
distribution of
legacies remain-
ing unclaimed
for twenty-five
years.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of such legislation as will provide for the disposal and distribution of legacies remaining unclaimed for a period of twenty-five years after the allowance in a probate court of the will creating such legacy and where the residence of the legatee named therein is unknown.

On motion of Mr. Pierce of Watertown, —

Suppression of
lotteries and
policy playing.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending the law relating to lotteries so as to provide that the offering for sale or selling of a lottery ticket shall be evidence of the existence of the lottery which the ticket purports to represent, and more clearly to define the offence of setting up or maintaining a lottery; also to provide for the suppression of "policy" playing.

On motion of Mr. Milliken of Malden, —

Service of civil
process by con-
stabes in the
city of Boston.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of extending the jurisdiction and powers of constables in the city of Boston in the service of civil process.

On motion of Mr. Wharton of Boston, —

Equity
procedure.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary inquire into and report upon what legislation is necessary as to the regulation of equity procedure in order to enable a creditor to reach and apply to his debt personal or equitable assets in the possession or control of his debtor by the appointment of a receiver.

On motion of Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, —

Payment of
witnesses before
trial justices,
and costs of
court.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of further legislation to compel prompt payment of witnesses before trial justices and the courts of the Commonwealth; also as to payment by defendants of the costs of commitment in certain cases.

On motion of Mr. Shaw of Newburyport, —

Fences and
other structures
erected to
annoy adjoining
owners.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 1 of chapter 348 of the Acts of the year 1887 by adding at the end thereof the following words: "provided, such fence or other structure shall be erected within five feet of any dwelling-house or other building of an adjoining owner or occupant."

On motion of Mr. Russell of Maynard, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of increasing the civil jurisdiction of the district court of Central Middlesex, also the territory comprising the same. District Court
of Central
Middlesex.

On motion of Mr. Bixby of Brockton, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of so amending section 4 of chapter 266 of the Acts of 1882 as to provide that the authority therein given to inspectors to enforce certain provisions of chapter 104 of the Public Statutes shall not extend to any city which, under its charter, ordinances, or any special statute, appoints an inspector of public buildings, and in such cities to provide that the inspector so appointed shall enforce the provisions of said chapter 104. Inspectors of
public
buildings.

On motion of Mr. Lyman of Belchertown, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of the repeal or the limitation of the requirements of chapter 217 of the Acts of 1882, it being "An Act providing for returns of property held for literary, benevolent, charitable or scientific purposes." Returns of
property of
literary, benev-
olent, charitable
or scientific
associations.

On motion of Mr. Warden of Waltham, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of such legislation as will tend to the better regulation of employment and intelligence offices and prevent the furnishing of female help for houses of ill-fame. Employment
and intelligence
offices.

On motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester, —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of legislation conferring upon the municipal court of the city of Boston jurisdiction over poor debtor matters and increasing the number of justices of said court, and of providing for additional clerical assistance for the same in case such jurisdiction shall be conferred upon said court. Municipal
court of Bos-
ton, — jurisdic-
tion over poor
debtor matters.

On motion of Mr. Jaques of Haverhill, —

Ordered, That the committee on County Estimates be allowed to travel and visit such places in the Commonwealth as may be necessary. Committee on
County
Estimates.

The following order, offered by Mr. McCall of Winchester, was laid over at the request of Mr. Collison of Boston: —

Privilege of the floor of the House.

Ordered, That the committee on Rules consider whether any further rule is expedient or necessary excluding from the privileges of the floor persons having a private interest, distinct from the public interest, in any measure under consideration.

Introduced on Leave.

Boston police department.

By Mr. Parkman of Boston, a Bill to increase the efficiency of the police department of the city of Boston and to pension members thereof. Read and referred to the committee on Cities.

American Exposition and commerce with Spanish-American Republics.
Penny postage.

By Mr. Barrett of Melrose, a Resolve concerning an American Exposition and commerce with the Spanish-American Republics.

By Mr. Atwood of Boston, a Resolve in favor of penny postage.

Severally read and referred to the committee on Federal Relations.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Bail bonds in bastardy cases.

By Mr. Brown of Boston, a Bill relating to bail bonds in bastardy cases.

Abuse of attachments.

By Mr. Blume of Boston, a Bill to prevent the abuse of attachments and in amendment of chapter 161, section 38, of the Public Statutes.

Christian names.

By Mr. Collison of Boston, a Bill concerning the Christian names of persons.

Severally read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Papers from the Senate.

Limit of number of trustees of savings banks who are also directors in national banks.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of so amending section 13, chapter 116 of the Public Statutes as to limit the number of trustees in savings banks who may also be directors in national banks.

Change of books in public schools.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Education consider the expediency of amending section 34 of chapter 44 of the Public Statutes relating to the change of books in the public schools of the Commonwealth by striking out the words "notice of such change having been given at a previous meeting."

Distribution of ballots on election days.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of legislation relative to the distribution of ballots on election days.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of legislation relative to compulsory voting.

Compulsory voting.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of revising and amending the law relative to the time of taking, catching, selling, offering for sale, buying, or having in possession, trout and pickerel; and of so amending the law that towns may regulate the taking and catching of pickerel.

Trout and pickerel.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of collating and reprinting the indexes of the Public Statutes of the Commonwealth prior to the Revised Statutes.

Indexes of certain statutes.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of amending section 12 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes by striking out the word "may" in the first line of said section and inserting the word "shall" in lieu thereof.

Entrances to places licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on the Liquor Law inquire what further legislation is necessary to secure the use of the patent ballot-boxes, so called, in taking the vote on the question of granting liquor licenses.

Ballot-boxes for taking the vote on granting liquor licenses.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of providing that no licenses of the first five classes named in section 10 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, shall be issued to be exercised in dwelling-houses, tenement buildings or blocks.

No licenses for sale of liquors to be issued for dwelling-houses, tenement buildings, or blocks.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of amending section 102 of chapter 374 of the Acts of the year 1885, by striking out the words "two thicknesses of asbestos paper," contained in lines seven and eight of said section; and to further amend said section by defining the weight, per square yard, of the fireproof or incombustible material to be used as provided in said section.

Inspection and construction of buildings in the city of Boston.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Public Charitable Institutions consider the expediency of reporting a Resolve appropriating the sum of ten thousand dollars to be paid to the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association for use as a fund for the relief of firemen disabled while going to, at, or returning from, fires.

Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

Railroad map
of Massachu-
setts.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the Sergeant-at-Arms be authorized to procure a suitable railroad map of the State of Massachusetts for the use of the committee on Railroads.

Bills :

Investments of
savings banks.

Relative to determining the population of cities without the Commonwealth, in the bonds of which savings banks are authorized to invest ; and

Ibid.

To authorize savings banks and institutions for savings to invest in the legally authorized bonds of the State of Minnesota and the cities thereof ;

Severally introduced on leave in the Senate, were severally read and referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Intelligence
offices,—houses
of ill-fame.

A Bill relating to intelligence offices, and women and girls sent to, or detained in, any place of ill-repute, introduced on leave in the Senate, was read and referred, in concurrence, to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Taxation of
fire and marine
insurance
companies.

A Bill to provide for the taxation of fire and marine insurance companies, introduced on leave in the Senate, was read and referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Insurance.

Soldiers' Home
in Massachu-
setts.

A Resolve in favor of the trustees of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts, reported on a petition and passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence :—

Mount Hope
Cemetery.

Petition of Robert Disbrow and others, proprietors of lots in Mount Hope Cemetery, for an amendment of the laws relating to the appointment of the trustees of said cemetery. To the committee on Cities.

State Normal
School at
Worcester.

Petition of Elijah B. Stoddard, chairman of visitors for the State Normal School at Worcester, for an appropriation to complete the grading, and for other improvements around the building. To the committee on Education.

Crispus
Attucks.

Petition of David Pulsifer for the amendment of chapter 53 of the Resolves of the year 1887 "providing for the erection of a memorial to Crispus Attucks, Jonas Caldwell, Samuel Maverick and Patrick Carr." To the committee on Expenditures.

Petition of Edwin S. Blaine and others for the establishment of a public weigher of fish in the city of Gloucester. To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Public weigher of fish.

Petition of Samuel Brackett and others for an increase of salaries of the officers of the Municipal Court in the city of Boston. To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Salaries of officers of Boston Municipal Court.

Petition of George W. Hubbard and others for an amendment of the charter of the Cooley Dickinson Hospital. To the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Cooley Dickinson Hospital.

Petitions of William W. Bartlett and others; and of Melvin B. Ricker and others, — severally in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others for an annual appropriation for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association, to aid firemen injured while in discharge of their duties.

Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

Severally to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Petition of J. M. W. Hall and others for an increase of the salary of the justice of the Third District Court of Eastern Middlesex;

Salary of justice of Third District Court of Eastern Middlesex.

Petition of Clark A. Batchelder and others that the salary of the clerk of the First District Court of Northern Middlesex be increased; and

Salary of clerk of First District Court of Northern Middlesex.

Petition of the standing justice of the Second District Court of Southern Worcester for an increase of salary.

Salary of standing justice of Second District Court of Southern Worcester.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Petition of the New York and New England Railroad Company for authority to issue certain bonds to pay for terminal grounds in Boston;

New York and New England Railroad Company.

Petition of the Springfield and New London Railroad Company for a confirmation of its sale to the New York and New England Railroad Company; and

Springfield and New London Railroad Company.

Petition of the Boston, Winthrop and Shore Railroad Company for authority to abandon and relocate certain portions of its road in the town of Winthrop.

Boston, Winthrop and Shore Railroad Company.

Severally to the committee on Railroads.

Petition of Robert H. Magwood and others that women may be enabled to vote for presidential electors, and also in all county, town and municipal affairs; and for the equal political rights of all American citizens, irrespective of sex. To the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Woman suffrage.

Reports of Committees.

Peter Foley of
Toronto,
Canada.

By Mr. Southwick of Peabody, from the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Peter Foley of Toronto, Canada, member of Company K, 28th Massachusetts Regiment of Volunteers, of Milford, Mass., for payment of money alleged to be due him from the State. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Whitman Sav-
ings Bank.

By Mr. Read of Cambridge, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Whitman Savings Bank.

Books of de-
posit of savings
banks.

By Mr. Atherton of Saugus, from the same committee, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to savings banks, in part, a Bill requiring savings banks and institutions for savings to call in their books of deposit at stated intervals.

Qualification of
voters for Gov-
ernor, Lieuten-
ant-Governor,
Senators and
Representa-
tives.

By Mr. Parkman of Boston, from the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments, on an order, a Resolve to amend the Constitution relative to the qualification of voters for Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, Senators and Representatives. [Messrs. Hartwell and Ladd, of the Senate, and Messrs. Blume of Boston, Gile of Worcester and Pinkerton of Worcester, of the House, dissenting.]

Poll tax,
qualification
for voting.

Trustees of
Armenia
College Funds.

By Mr. Wilde of Malden, from the committee on Education, on a petition, a Bill to change the name of the Trustees of Armenia College Funds.

Lease of the
Boston and
Providence
Railroad to the
Old Colony
Railroad
Company.

By Mr. Wadlin of Reading, from the committee on Railroads, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the Boston and Providence Railroad Corporation to lease its railroad to the Old Colony Railroad Company. [Mr. Roads, of the Senate, dissenting.]

Salary of the
Secretary of the
Civil Service
Commissioners.

By Mr. Kimball of Northampton, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill to establish the salary of the Secretary of the Civil Service Commissioners ought to pass in a new draft with the title "Bill to establish the salary of the Secretary of the Civil Service Commission."

Incorporation of
the town of
Avon.

By Mr. Qua of Lowell, from the committee on Towns, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the town of Avon.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Preble of Boston, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, that the Bill (introduced on leave in the House) to amend section 99 of chapter 157 of the Public Statutes, relating to allowances of insolvent debtors, ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Allowances of insolvent debtors.

By Mr. Bartlett of Montague, from the committee on Military Affairs, that the Resolve in favor of the Soldiers' Messenger Corps ought to pass.

Soldiers' Messenger Corps.

By Mr. Dolan of Stoughton, from the committee on Printing, that the Resolve providing for the printing of extra copies of the report of the Massachusetts Agricultural Experiment Station ought to pass.

Report of Massachusetts Agricultural Experiment Station.

By Mr. Perry of Norton, from the same committee, that the Resolve providing for the printing of additional copies of the thirty-fifth annual report of the Secretary of the State Board of Agriculture ought to pass.

Report of the Secretary of the State Board of Agriculture.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Making appropriations for incidental, contingent and miscellaneous expenses of the various departments and commissions of the Commonwealth (which originated in the House) ; and

Bills enacted.

Authorizing the Old Colony Steamboat Company to increase its capital stock (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

In favor of the Massachusetts General Hospital ; and
Concerning the Commonwealth's Flats at South Boston ;
(Which severally originated in the House) ;
Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolves passed.

Orders of the Day

Reports :

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending or repealing section 5 of chapter 153 of the Public Statutes, which provides that the courts shall not charge juries with

Orders of the day.

respect to matters of fact, but may state the testimony and the law ;

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Nathaniel Bartlett of Natick and others for legislation relative to the protection of the Old Indian Burying Ground in said town ; and

Of the same committee, no legislation necessary, on an order relative to providing for the delivery of the bodies of executed criminals to medical institutions for dissection ;

Were severally accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring exhibitors of animals to have the same named by a reliable zoölogist and the English as well as the scientific name placed on, above or below the cage or standing place of each ;

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation providing that no licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors shall be issued, or shall have force or validity, after the thirtieth day of April next ; and

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Massachusetts Temperance Alliance for the repeal of existing laws authorizing the sale of intoxicating beverages and for the enactment of a prohibitory law ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Board of Aldermen of the city of Boston for an act to consolidate the Board of Health with the City Registrar's department, was accepted, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on the Liquor Law, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Massachusetts Christian Temperance Union for legislation relative to the repeal of the local option law and for the enactment of a law prohibiting the manufacture and sale of all alcoholic liquors as a beverage, was considered. Mr. Brigham of Marlborough moved that the report be recommitted with instructions to report a bill repealing the local option law and prohibiting the manufacture and sale of all alcoholic liquors as a beverage. On this question the yeas and nays were

ordered at the request of Mr. Collison of Boston, and, the roll being called, the motion was lost by a vote of 84 yeas to 104 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, Charles E.	Messrs. Kendall, Horace M.
Allen, John J.	Kimball, Henry A.
Atwood, Harrison H.	Knox, Charles H.
Barrett, William E.	Lally, James, Jr.
Boardman, Francis	Leary, Edward J.
Brady, Peter J.	Lyman, Payson W.
Brigham, Arthur A.	Lyons, Henry S.
Calnan, Patrick J.	McCooley, Thomas
Carey, William H.	McDonald, Robert H.
Carney, Michael	McDonough, John H.
Carroll, Peter T.	McEnany, Thomas O.
Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.	McEttrick, Michael J.
Clark, Schuyler	Mellen, James H.
Collison, Harvey N.	Miller, Albert E.
Coveney, John W.	Milliken, Daniel L.
Cronin, James M.	Monahan, William H.
Dame, Albert L.	Morin, John M.
Dennis, George	Morton, Harrison E.
Dexter, Solomon K.	Noonan, Thomas L.
Doherty, John	O'Brien, Dennis J.
Dolan, Bernard	O'Mealey, John W.
Donovan, Edward J.	O'Neil, John W.
Donovan, James	O'Neill, Thomas F.
Dresser, Theodore P.	Peirson, Henry M.
Driscoll, John	Pierce, Charles Q.
Finney, Elkanah	Pinkerton, Alfred S.
Floyd, David, 2d	Pratt, Harvey H.
Flynn, Edward J.	Provin, William
Flynn, Thomas J.	Qua, Francis W.
Garity, Michael	Quincy, Josiah
Gibson, George W.	Quinn, Dennis J.
Gile, William A.	Quinn, Philip H.
Gracey, Samuel L.	Raymond, Samuel M.
Griswold, Freeman C.	Riddell, Henry
Haggerty, Charles	Story, Cyrus
Haskell, Henry C.	Sullivan, Michael F.
Hastings, William H.	Sullivan, Thomas F.
Hinchcliffe, William J.	Towne, Joseph L.
Hixon, William S.	Wilde, William A.
Holbrook, John A.	Winchester, Reuben
Keane, Jeremiah J.	Winthrop, John
Kearn, George H.	Wright, Arthur

NATS.

Messrs.	Allen, Montessor T.	Messrs.	Henry, Robert
	Atherton, Horace H.		Hitchcock, Calvin
	Babbitt, Rollin H.		Holman, Frank E.
	Backup, John		Hooper, George M.
	Bartlett, Joseph F.		Hunt, George H.
	Bennett, Charles H.		Jaques, Alden P.
	Berry, Francis T.		Kennedy, Patrick J.
	Blume, Andreas		Kimball, John W.
	Bottum, John B.		Leach, William T.
	Brackett, Albert A.		Lothrop, John Q. A.
	Breed, Arthur B.		Lovell, Clarence P.
	Brooks, A. Olin		Manning, Albert S.
	Brown, John F.		Manning, David, Jr.
	Call, Charles A.		Martin, James P.
	Cannell, Joseph H.		McCarthy, Patrick
	Champlin, Arthur B.		Merrill, John F.
	Church, Moses D.		Miller, Lyman M.
	Clark, David H.		Milne, John C.
	Clark, Henry		Morey, George F.
	Clarke, Rowse R.		Nelson, Sidney T.
	Close, George		Parkman, Henry
	Colby, John F.		Pear, Isaac S.
	Conroy, James		Plaisted, John W.
	Coolidge, George H.		Poore, William H.
	Crowell, Joshua		Preble, William H.
	Cutler, Samuel		Read, John
	Dame, Luther		Richards, James H.
	Davis, Edmund A.		Robinson, Ethan C.
	Dewey, Wilson		Rogers, Joseph W.
	Dunlea, James J.		Rogers, Samuel N.
	Eames, Harry M.		Rounsevell, Arthur G.
	Eldridge, Albert R.		Rugg, Charles P.
	Fales, Frank A.		Russell, Alvin D.
	Fottler, Jacob		Russell, Irving L.
	Gagan, Edward		Sanger, Chester F.
	Gleason, Joseph H.		Seavey, Charles W.
	Gordon, William, Jr.		Simonds, S. Dwight
	Greenwood, Morrill A.		Slocum, George W.
	Grosvenor, Charles F.		Slocum, Winfield S.
	Gunn, Daniel		Sohier, William D.
	Hall, Frederick S.		Southwick, Benjamin F.
	Hartwell, Benjamin H.		Stowe, Elijah B.
	Hatch, Franklin W.		Taft, Robert L.
	Hathaway, James A.		Temple, Albert H.
	Hayes, Elihu B.		Thayer, Rufus A.
	Hayes, John E.		Upham, Samuel O.
	Haynes, Henry D.		Wales, Abijah T.

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Messrs. Walworth, Arthur C.	Messrs. Wiley, Albert L.
Wardwell, J. Otis	Wilkinson, John W.
Ware, M. Everett	Willis, Rufus H.
Waters, Franklin L.	Wyman, Ferdinand A.
White, William L., Jr.	

Yeas, 84 ; Nays, 108.

The report was then accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

**Relating to the printing and distribution of the annual reports of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor ; and
Concerning the State Library ;**

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to amend the charter of the Mutual Boiler Insurance Company of Boston was read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to define the meaning of the words "contract for the labor of prisoners," as used in chapter 447 of the Acts of the year 1887, was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

At twenty minutes past four o'clock, adjourned.

THURSDAY, February 2, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*County Estimates.*County estimates,—
accounts of
county
treasurers.

The estimates of the several counties for taxes the present year, and the accounts of the county treasurers, were received, and referred to the committee on County Estimates.

Taken from the Files of Last Year.

School fund.

On motion of Mr. Haggerty of Southbridge, the orders relative to a more equitable distribution of the unappropriated part of the school fund, and for a State tax not exceeding one mill on the dollar for public school education, and the special report of the Board of Education relative to the Massachusetts school fund, were taken from the files of last year and were referred to the committee on Education and sent up for concurrence.

Benjamin F.
Mills,—
Williamstown.

On motion of Mr. Kearn of North Adams, the petition of Benjamin F. Mills and others relative to the settlement of certain claims existing between the town of Williamstown and the Commonwealth was taken from the files of last year, and was referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary and sent up for concurrence.

*Petitions Presented.*Australian
system of
voting.

By Mr. Quincy of Quincy, petition of Isaac R. Hazleton and others; by Mr. Wilkinson of Cambridge, petition of Daniel F. Boyd and others; by Mr. Pear of Cambridge, petition of William J. Mackay and others; and by Mr. Coveney of Cambridge, petition of James A. Rice and others,—severally, in favor of the Australian system of voting, so that ballots may be printed at the public expense and distributed by a public officer.

Severally referred to the committee on Election Laws.

Fishing in the
Connecticut
River.

By Mr. Robinson of Springfield, petition of Charles E. Crosby relative to fishing in the Connecticut River. Referred, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, moved by Mr. Robinson, to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Backup of Boston, petition of Charles T. Poor and others; by Mr. Leary of Boston, petition of J. H. O'Neil and others; by Mr. Farren of Boston, petition of Thomas D. Blake and others; by Mr. Waters of Orange, petition of L. M. Peckham and others; by Mr. Dame of Methuen, petition of T. R. Skinner and others; by Mr. Carman of Fall River, petition of J. H. Burgess and others; by Mr. Hill of Spencer, petition of M. Monahan and others; by Mr. Southwick of Peabody, petition of J. F. Morland and others; by Mr. Clark of Natick, petition of W. G. Chamberlain and others; by Mr. Hastings of Framingham, petition of J. Long and others; by Mr. Perkins of Winchendon, petition of E. Godding and others; by Mr. Quinn of Fall River, petition of T. E. Lynch and others; by Mr. Clark of Natick, petition of I. E. Brown and others; by Mr. Kendall of Fitchburg, petition of T. F. Murnane and others; by Mr. Conwell of Provincetown, petition of J. P. Johnson and others; by Mr. Dunlea of Boston, petition of J. S. French and others; by Mr. Lothrop of Cohasset, petition of H. Pearl and others; by Mr. Brewer of Boston, petition of D. J. O'Connell and others; and by Mr. Woods of Boston, petition of R. E. Bartlett and others, — severally, in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others of Boston for the passage of an act appropriating \$10,000 annually to the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

Massachusetts
State Firemen's
Association.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

By Mr. Milliken of Malden, petition of Charles H. Sweeney, officer at the Massachusetts Reformatory, for an increase of salary.

Charles H.
Sweeney.

By the same gentleman, petition of W. H. Wood, officer at the Massachusetts Reformatory, for an increase of salary.

W. H. Wood.

Severally referred, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, in each case, moved by Mr. Milliken, to the committee on Public Service.

By Mr. Turner of South Scituate, petition of Samuel Tolman and others to change the name of the town of South Scituate. Referred to the committee on Towns.

Change of name
of South
Scituate.

By Mr. Rugg of New Bedford, petition of the city council of New Bedford for authority to establish a sink-

New Bedford
water debt.

ing fund, from receipts for water rates, for extinguishing the water debt of said city. Referred, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, moved by Mr. Rugg, to the committee on Water Supply, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Municipal
suffrage for
women.

By Mr. Cannell of Everett, petition of R. E. Brown and others; by Mr. Clark of Natick, petition of Nancy S. Boardman and 477 others; by Mr. Breed of Lynn, petition of Arabell B. Elwell and others; and by Mr. Miller of Needham, petition of Joanna E. Mills and others, — severally, for the enactment of a law enabling women to vote in all town and municipal elections.

Severally referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Gile of Worcester, —

Extra copies of
report of Board
of Registration
in Dentistry.

Ordered, That the committee on Printing consider the expediency of printing twelve hundred extra copies of the report of the Board of Registration in Dentistry, for the use of the board.

Privileges of the
floor of the
House.

The order laid over from yesterday relative to the committee on Rules considering the expediency of a rule excluding from the privileges of the floor persons having a private interest distinct from the public interest in any measure under consideration, was adopted.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Veterinary
medicine.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of regulating the practice of veterinary medicine.

Increase of the
number of
Board of
Control of the
Massachusetts
Agricultural
Experiment
Station.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of increasing the number of the Board of Control of the Massachusetts Agricultural Experiment Station at Amherst or changing the manner of their election.

Manufacture
and sale of
fertilizers.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Agriculture consider the expediency of amending the present laws in regard to the manufacture and sale of fertilizers.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Banks and Banking inquire and report if any legislation is necessary to regulate or limit the connection of savings banks with national banks.

Connection of savings banks with national banks.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Education consider the expediency of reporting a Resolve appropriating the sum of twelve hundred dollars for the purpose of protecting, in case of fire, the State Normal School and adjacent State buildings located in the town of Framingham.

State Normal School at Framingham.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Education consider the expediency of legislation providing for the election of school committees in the different cities and towns upon separate ballots.

Election of school committee upon separate ballots.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of further defining and establishing the right to a recount of ballots cast at elections held in towns, to the end that the remedy thereby provided may be made more fixed and certain.

Recount of ballots at elections in towns.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of legislation for the use, throughout the Commonwealth, of the ballot-box approved and adopted by the ballot-box commissioners and contracted for November 19th, 1887, under authority of chapter 443 of the Acts of 1887, in taking the vote on the question of granting liquor licenses.

Ballot-boxes for taking the vote on granting liquor licenses.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Election Laws consider the expediency of amending section 1 of chapter 271 of the Acts of the year 1885, so as to require the assessors of the different cities and towns to post in some conspicuous place in each of the voting precincts, on or before the first day of August, a certified copy of the names of those persons assessed for a poll tax.

List of names of persons assessed for a poll tax to be posted by assessors.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of additional legislation in reference to the amount and manner of the expenditures of beneficiary associations for insurance.

Amount and manner of expenditures of beneficiary associations for insurance.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of legislation in regard to the investments of the funds of mutual life insurance companies.

Investments of mutual life insurance companies.

Regulation of
rates of insur-
ance companies.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Insurance consider the expediency of regulating by law the levying of rates by any or all insurance companies, of whatever name or title, transacting business in this Commonwealth.

Qualification
and selection of
jurors.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending chapter 170, section 35, of the Public Statutes, and chapter 149 of the Acts of the year 1887, or of further legislation relative to the qualifications and selection of jurors.

Salaries and
fees of clerks of
courts.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of giving annual salaries to all clerks of courts not now having fixed salaries; also the expediency of further legislation relative to the amount to be paid, and the manner and time of payment of fees, by parties in civil and criminal causes.

Dockets and
records of trial
justices.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing for the preservation of the dockets and records of trial justices.

Fees of special
justices of
district and
police courts.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending section 26 of chapter 154 of the Public Statutes relative to the fees of special justices of district and police courts.

Fees for
summoning
witnesses.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of extending the provisions of chapter 159, section 70, of the Public Statutes to all the counties of the Commonwealth, the same relating to fees for summoning witnesses.

Labor's
Holiday.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Labor consider the expediency of amending section 1 of chapter 263 of the Acts of 1887, "An Act to make the first day of September, known as Labor's Holiday, a legal holiday," so as to provide a penalty for its violation.

Search warrants
in liquor cases.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of providing that the expense of search-warrants in liquor cases shall be imposed in whole or in part upon parties named in such search-warrants as keepers of intoxicating liquors, where such parties are convicted of violating the liquor law through aid of a search-warrant, or in any way to reduce the expense to the counties of search-warrants in liquor cases.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Manufactures consider the expediency of amending chapter 106 of the Public Statutes so that corporations may be formed under that chapter for the purpose of holding and leasing real estate for mechanical and manufacturing purposes.

Corporations for leasing real estate for mechanical and manufacturing purposes.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of amending chapter 68 of the Public Statutes in regard to the sale of merchandise by hawkers, peddlers and others.

Hawkers and peddlers.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Mercantile Affairs consider the expediency of the State furnishing aid to manufacturing, industrial, railway and other enterprises.

Aid for manufacturing and other enterprises.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Printing consider the expediency of printing six hundred extra copies of the Massachusetts Red Book for the use of the Legislature.

Massachusetts Red Book.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Prisons consider the expediency of authorizing the county commissioners of Worcester county to enlarge the jail and house of correction at Fitchburg, and, for that purpose, to borrow in the name of the county not exceeding \$65,000.

Worcester county jail and house of correction at Fitchburg.

Ordered, In concurrence that the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of amending chapter 150 of the Acts of 1885 in regard to the standard of cider vinegar.

Standard of cider vinegar.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Public Health consider the expediency of providing for an investigation by the Board of Health or otherwise, regarding the use and abuse of opium and other like narcotics, and of further legislation to prevent such abuse.

Use and abuse of opium.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the compensation of the clerks in the several departments in the State House whose salaries have not been increased since the year 1881.

Compensation of clerks in the several departments of the State House.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of additional legislation in reference to the protection of grade-crossings by electric signals.

Protection of grade crossings by electric signals.

Acquisition of rights of way by prescription upon land occupied by railroad companies.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of legislation to prevent the acquisition of rights of way by prescription upon land occupied by railroad companies for railroad purposes, and to provide for the taking by such companies of such rights heretofore so acquired, and to compensate the owners therefor.

Salaries of Railroad Commissioners.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Railroads inquire and report whether any further legislation is necessary with reference to the compensation of the railroad commissioners.

Rates of fare and transfer checks on street railways in Boston.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Street Railways consider what legislation is necessary concerning the running of horse cars in the city of Boston and its suburban connections, and the rates of fare and the issuing of checks or transfers from one line or route to another.

Street railways,—systems of motive power.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Street Railways consider the expediency of so amending the general laws relating to street railways as to incorporate therein the provisions of section 4 of chapter 413 of the Acts of the year 1887 relating to systems of motive power.

Assessment and collection of taxes.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of ascertaining what changes, if any, are necessary in the present law relative to the assessment and collection of taxes.

Taxation and collection of taxes on personal property.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Taxation consider and report on the expediency of taxing more personal property; on the advisability and methods of taxing any personal property now exempt; and of securing equal and complete taxation of chattels now taxable.

Aqueduct and water companies.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Water Supply consider the expediency of amending the general statutes so as to allow aqueduct and water companies to lay and repair pipes in streets of cities and towns under the direction of town and city officers, and what change is necessary in the laws relating thereto.

General supply of water.

A Bill to regulate the general supply of water, introduced on leave in the Senate, was read and referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Water Supply.

Nantasket Beach Railroad.

A Bill in relation to the Nantasket Beach Railroad, reported on a petition and passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence :—

Petition of Herbert Myrick, for incorporation of the New England Milk Producers' Union. To the committee on Agriculture. New England Milk Producers' Union.

Petition of J. G. Mackintosh and others for a change of name of the Manufacturers' Loan and Trust Company, for an increase in its capital stock, and for authority to increase the amount authorized to be invested in real estate. Manufacturers' Loan and Trust Company.

Petition of Charles W. Bartlett and others for an act of incorporation as the Massachusetts Loan Association. Massachusetts Loan Association.

Petition of Isaac Stebbins and others for an act to incorporate the Chelsea Safe Deposit and Trust Company. Chelsea Safe Deposit and Trust Company.

Petition of Edward M. Tucke and others of Lowell for an act of incorporation under the name of the Middlesex Safe Deposit and Trust Company. Middlesex Safe Deposit and Trust Company.

Petition of Joseph Jacobs, Jr., and others that savings banks be authorized to increase the percentage of their investments in mortgages, bonds, etc., under certain conditions. Investments of savings banks.

Severally to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Petition of Charles N. Clark for the repeal of section 34 of chapter 250 of the Acts of the year 1883 relating to the laying out of streets in Northampton, etc. To the committee on Cities, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct. Laying out of streets in Northampton.

Petition of the city of Worcester for an amendment of the charter of the said city so as to provide for a permanent police force, the members of which shall hold office during good behavior, etc., except that the mayor and aldermen shall have power to appoint and remove at pleasure the city marshal and his assistants. To the committee on Cities, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct. Tenure of office of members of the police force of Worcester.

Petition of the Board of Park Commissioners of the city of Boston that said city be authorized to borrow, outside of its debt limits, money necessary for the purchase or taking of lands for carrying out the plans for its public parks. Park Commissioners of the city of Boston.

Petition of the mayor of the city of Worcester for authority to issue bonds for the purpose of purchasing or Purchasing or taking land for parks in the city of Worcester.

- taking such land for a park or parks as may be determined upon by the park commissioners.
- Sewers in the city of Boston.** Petition of John A. McLaughlin and others that the city of Boston be authorized to borrow, outside of its present debt limit, a sufficient sum of money to construct such new sewers as may be necessary.
- Call-firemen for Boston.** Petition of Henry T. Bowers and others; and of George L. Pitman and others, — severally, for legislation relative to pensioning certain call-firemen of the fire department of the city of Boston.
- Severally to the committee on Cities.
- Number of registered voters in any precinct of Worcester.** Petition of the mayor of the city of Worcester that the number of registered voters in any precinct of the said city be fixed at one thousand instead of eight hundred as is now provided.
- Australian system of voting.** Petition of John S. Blatchford and others for the establishment of the Australian system of voting, so that ballots may be printed at the public expense and distributed by a public officer.
- Severally to the committee on Election Laws.
- Massachusetts Live Stock Insurance Company.** Petition of George W. Burton and others for incorporation as the Massachusetts Live Stock Insurance Company. To the committee on Insurance.
- Redistricting and redivision of the counties of Middlesex, Norfolk and Worcester.** Petition of Walter Adams and others for redistricting and redivision of the counties of Middlesex, Norfolk and Worcester, and the creation of four counties out of the same.
- Appointment of Assistant Solicitor-General.** Petition of Elmer H. Capen and others that the Governor be authorized to appoint a Solicitor-General for the Commonwealth, as provided for in the Constitution, and one or more Assistant Solicitor-Generals for each judicial district.
- Severally to the joint committee on the Judiciary.
- Closing of liquor saloons on Christmas day.** Petition of Rev. William Byrne of Boston and others for the extension of the provisions of the act authorizing the police of cities and towns to close all liquor saloons on election days, to the legal holiday known as Christmas day, with a view to diminishing the evils of intemperance which seem most to prevail on that day. To the committee on the Liquor Law.
- Hollander, Bradshaw & Folsom.** Petition of Hollander, Bradshaw & Folsom for authority to build an elevator and to be exempted from the pro-

visions of section 107 chapter 374 of the Acts of the year 1885. To the committee on Manufactures.

Petition of J. M. W. Hall and others for an act of incorporation as the Bay State Lumber Association. Bay State Lumber Association.

Petition of the Williams Market Corporation for changes in its act of incorporation. Williams Market Corporation.

Petition of F. R. Barnes and others for an act of incorporation to buy, sell, lease and improve land. F. R. Barnes and others.

Petition of D. W. C. Farrington, treasurer, that the Lowell Gun Company may be dissolved. Lowell Gun Company.

Petition of D. W. C. Farrington, treasurer, that the United States Cartridge Company may be dissolved. United States Cartridge Company.

Severally to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Petition of John McDevitt for the payment of a bounty for service in the United States navy during the late rebellion, as a part of the quota of this Commonwealth. John McDevitt.
To the committee on Military Affairs.

Petition of the African Methodist Episcopal Church in Springfield for legislation to establish the name and to confirm the records of said organization and for other purposes. To the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies. African Methodist Episcopal Church in Springfield.

Petition of the mayor of the city of Worcester for the amendment of chapter 444 of the Acts of the year 1887, so that said city may have authority to lay out an extension of the street northerly from Belmont Street, over land of the Commonwealth, etc. ; Extension of a street in Worcester over land of the Commonwealth.

Petitions of Charles H. Ham and others ; Edwin L. Bullard and others ; James B. Prescott and others ; Chase & Sanborn and others ; J. F. Egan and others ; R. Sherburne and others ; Rice, Kendall & Co. and others, and C. C. Topham and others, — severally, in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others for an annual appropriation for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association, to aid firemen injured while in discharge of their duties. Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

Severally to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Petition of Edward P. Loring, Controller of County Accounts, for increase of salary. Salary of Controller of County Accounts.

Petition of A. B. R. Sprague, sheriff of Worcester County, for an increase of salary. Salary of sheriff of Worcester County.

Severally to the committee on Public Service.

Use of a street
in Springfield
by the Boston
and Albany
Railroad.

Petition of the city of Springfield for such legislation as will enforce the recommendations of the Railroad Commissioners in regard to the use of Main Street in said city by the Boston and Albany Railroad Company.

Eastern Rail-
road Company.

Petition of the Eastern Railroad Company for legislation that will require the trustees of the sinking fund of said company to furnish bonds with sureties, and also that said sinking fund be invested and applied in accordance with the provisions of chapter 236 of the Acts of 1876.

Railway
passenger
station in
Springfield.

Petition of Charles C. Spellman for legislation providing for the erection of a new railway passenger station at Springfield and the separation of grades at Main Street in said Springfield.

Severally to the committee on Railroads.

Street railway
companies in
Boston.

Petition of Charles O. Witherell and another for legislation to prevent the earnings of the street railway companies of the city of Boston from being used for the improvement of any land company to the detriment of holders of preferred stock. To the committee on Street Railways.

Exemption
from taxation
of bonds of the
city of Boston.

Petition of the city of Boston for the exemption from taxation of the bonds issued by it.

Exemption
from taxation of
bonds of cities
and towns.

Petition of the mayors of the cities of Boston, Brockton, Chelsea, Fitchburg, Gloucester, Haverhill, Holyoke, Lawrence, Lowell, New Bedford, Newburyport, Newton, Northampton, Salem, Somerville and Waltham for the exemption from taxation of the bonds of the cities and towns of the Commonwealth.

Severally to the committee on Taxation.

Mansfield
Water Supply
District.

Petition of Doliver S. Spaulding and others for an amendment of the charter of the Mansfield Water Supply District. To the committee on Water Supply, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Confirmation of
the taking of
lands by the
city of
Cambridge.

Petition of the city of Cambridge for the ratification and confirmation of the taking of lands by said city around and near Fresh Pond.

Authorizing the
town of
Belmont to take
waters of Little
Pond and
Wellington
Brook.

Petition of selectmen of Belmont and others for the repeal of so much of chapter 165 of the Acts of the year 1875 as authorizes the city of Cambridge to take, hold, etc., the waters of Little Pond and Wellington Brook in the town of Belmont, for a water supply.

Petition of William J. Goldthwait of Marblehead for amendment of the laws in relation to the payment of the water debt of said town. Marblehead water debt.

Petition of the city of Springfield for the amendment of section 3 of chapter 80 of the Acts of the year 1880, so that a person other than the city engineer may be elected clerk of the Board of Water Commissioners. Clerk of the Water Board of Springfield.

Severally to the committee on Water Supply.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Backup of Boston, from the committee on Water Supply, leave to withdraw for want of legal notice on the petition of the selectmen and water board of Peabody that they may be allowed to make certain improvements in the water supply of said town. Peabody water supply.

Read, and, under a suspension of the rule moved by Mr. Backup, recommitted to the committee on Water Supply with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct, and sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Hinchcliffe of Lawrence, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the county commissioners of Essex County to reimburse the city of Lawrence for a portion of the expense of rebuilding the Lawrence and Andover bridges in said city. Lawrence,—
Lawrence and
Andover
bridges.

By Mr. Call of Springfield, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to savings banks, in part, a Bill relating to the annual examination of savings banks by the Commissioners of Savings Banks. Examination of
savings banks.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Riddell of Nantucket, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of William Johnson. William
Johnson.

By Mr. Rounsevell of Freetown, from the committee on Printing, on an order, a Resolve relating to printing one thousand additional copies of the Report of the Trustees of the Massachusetts Agricultural College. Report of the
Trustees of the
Massachusetts
Agricultural
College.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Orders of the Day.

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The report of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Peter Foley of Toronto, Canada, member of Co. K, 28th Mass. Regiment of Volunteers, of Milford, Mass., for payment of money alleged to be due him from the State, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To incorporate the Whitman Savings Bank ;

Requiring savings banks and institutions for savings to call in their books of deposit at stated intervals ;

To amend section 99 of chapter 157 of the Public Statutes relating to allowances of insolvent debtors.

To incorporate the town of Avon ;

To change the name of the Trustees of Armenia College Funds ; and

To establish the salary of the secretary of the Civil Service Commission ; and the

Resolve to amend the Constitution relative to the qualification of voters for Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, Senators and Representatives ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Relating to the printing and distribution of the annual reports of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor ; and

Concerning the State Library ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the Boston & Providence Railroad Corporation to lease its railroad to the Old Colony Railroad Company was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, was, on motion of Mr. Wadlin of Reading, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, February 7, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day, a motion of Mr. Pratt of Abington, that the matter be postponed until Wednesday, February 8, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day, having been rejected.

At twenty-one minutes past three o'clock, adjourned.

FRIDAY, February 3, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. E. E. Strong of Newton.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Waters of Orange, petition of W. H. Lane and others in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others of Boston for the passage of an act appropriating \$10,000 annually to the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association. Referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions and sent up for concurrence.

Massachusetts
State Firemen's
Association.

By Mr. Vanderhoop of Gay Head, remonstrance of A. S. Haywood against any legislation in regard to spirit manifestations. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Spirit manifes-
tations at
seances or reli-
gious meetings.*Papers from the Senate.*

The following order was adopted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, moved by Mr. Parkman of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Cities consider the expediency of further legislation for the extension of the Police Signal System in the city of Boston.

Police Signal
System in the
city of Boston.

The following order was adopted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, moved by Mr. Gile of Worcester, —

Ordered, That the committee on Street Railways consider the expediency of providing that street railway companies be required to water that portion of a street occupied by their tracks or otherwise, when the rest of said street is watered by the city, or town or otherwise.

Watering of
certain streets
by street rail-
way companies.

A report of the committee on the Liquor Law, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Isaac C. Howland and others for the repeal of chapter 431 of the Acts of 1887 relative to licensing druggists and apothecaries to sell intoxicating liquors and the re-enactment of so much of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes as was repealed by said act, was read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Licenses to
druggists and
apothecaries to
sell intoxicating
liquors.

Delta Upsilon
Society of
Williams
College.

Bill to incorporate the Trustees of the Delta Upsilon Society of Williams College, reported on a petition and passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

James B.
Carroll.

A Resolve confirming the acts of James B. Carroll as a justice of the peace, reported on a petition and passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Massachusetts
State Firemen's
Association.

The petitions of Hook and Ladder Company No. 1; Engine Company No. 2; Engine Company No. 3; Engine Company No. 1; Fire Engineers and John S. Poyen & Co. and others of Merrimac, in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others for an annual appropriation for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association, to aid firemen injured while in discharge of their duties.

Severally referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Employment and Schooling of Children.

On motion of Mr. McEttrick of Boston:—

Employment
and schooling
of children.

Voted, That there be printed, for the use of the House, five hundred extra copies of the views of the minority of the Joint Special Committee of the General Court of 1887 on the Employment and Schooling of Children.

Reports of Committees.

National
Mortgage and
Debenture
Company.

By Mr. Holman of Clinton, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles P. Searle for an increase of the capital stock of the National Mortgage and Debenture Company. Read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Intelligence
offices.

By Mr. Collison of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition of Charlotte Smith, president of the Woman's National Industrial League, for legislation in relation to the proper conduct of intelligence offices, and recommending its reference to the committee on Labor. Read and accepted, and the petition was sent up for concurrence in the reference.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills a Bill making an appropriation for continuing the preparation for publication and for the publication of the provincial laws. Appropriation bill, — publication of provincial laws.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Resolve to confirm the acts of Henry Walker as justice of the peace and the quorum. Henry Walker.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Resolve in favor of the trustees of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts ought to pass. Soldiers' Home.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of the Soldiers' Messenger Corps ought to pass. Soldiers' Messenger Corps.

By Mr. Bennett of Springfield, from the same committee, that the Resolve providing for the printing of additional copies of the thirty-fifth annual report of the secretary of the State Board of Agriculture ought to pass. Additional copies of the report of the secretary of the State Board of Agriculture.

By Mr. Allen of Woburn, from the same committee, that the Resolve providing for the printing of extra copies of the report of the Massachusetts Agricultural Experiment Station ought to pass. Extra copies of report of the Massachusetts Agricultural Experiment Station.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

By Mr. Carney of Lawrence, from the committee on Printing, on an order, a Resolve providing for printing additional copies of the report of the General Superintendent of Prisons. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance. Additional copies of the report of the General Superintendent of Prisons.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Primary School at Monson ; Bills enacted.

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the Lyman School for Boys at Westborough ;

Making appropriations for printing and binding the decennial census ; and

Making appropriations for deficiencies in appropriations for certain expenses authorized in the year 1887 ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To incorporate the Town Neck Land and Improvement Company of Sandwich (which originated in the Senate);
Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolves
passed.

Engrossed resolves :
Providing for reprinting parts of the annual reports of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor ; and
To confirm the acts of Henry LeB. Wills as a commissioner for Massachusetts in the State of Colorado ;
(Which severally originated in the House) ;
Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Taken from the Table.

Investments of
savings
banks,—Boston
and Lowell
Railroad.

On motions of Mr. Milne of Fall River, the Bill to authorize savings banks and institutions for savings to invest in the bonds and notes of the Boston and Lowell Railroad Corporation was taken from the table, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, was postponed for further consideration until Monday, to be placed first in the orders of the day.

Discharged from the Orders.

Constitutional
amendment,—
payment of a
poll-tax as a
pre-requisite
for voting.

On motion of Mr. Parkman of Boston, the Resolve to amend the Constitution relative to the qualification of voters for Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, Senators and Representatives was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and, pending the question on agreeing to the article of amendment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, February 14, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Orders of the Day.

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Day.

Bills :

Authorizing the county commissioners of Essex County to reimburse the city of Lawrence for a portion of the expense of rebuilding the Lawrence and Andover bridges in said city ;

Relating to the annual examination of savings banks by the Commissioners of Savings Banks ; and

In relation to the Nantasket Beach Railroad ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To incorporate the Whitman Savings Bank ;

Requiring savings banks and institutions for savings to call in their books of deposit at stated intervals ;

To amend section 99 of chapter 157 of the Public Statutes relating to allowances of insolvent debtors ;

To incorporate the town of Avon ;

To change the name of the Trustees of Armenia College Funds ; and

To establish the salary of the secretary of the Civil Service Commission ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

At thirty-five minutes past two o'clock, adjourned.

MONDAY, February 6, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

Australian system of voting.

By Mr. Wilkinson of Cambridge, petition of Edward J. Brandon and others; and by Mr. Cheney of Worcester, petition of T. J. Hastings and others,—severally, in favor of the Australian system of voting, so that ballots may be printed at the public expense and distributed by a public officer.

Severally referred to the committee on Election Laws.

Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

By Mr. Wilkinson of Cambridge, petition of Engine Company No. 5 and others; by Mr. James Donovan of Boston, petition of James J. McLaughlin and others, and of J. Grady and others; by Mr. Conwell of Provincetown, petition of Joseph P. Bickers and others; by Mr. Waters of Orange, petition of fire engineers of Orange and others; and by Mr. Manning of Andover, petition of Eben Sutton Engine Company of Andover,—severally, in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others of Boston for the passage of an act appropriating \$10,000 annually to the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Water supply of town of Athol.

By Mr. Rogers of Millbury, remonstrance of Simon E. Pike and others against the petition of the town of Athol for authority to take water from Phillipston Pond in the town of Phillipston. Referred to the committee on Water Supply.

By Mr. Goss of Amesbury, petition of E. M. Morse and others in aid of the petition of J. F. Clarkson and others for a judicial district and establishment of a district court for the same at Amesbury. Referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, petition of Geo. W. Carnes and others that more humane means be adopted for the execution of criminals in this Commonwealth. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Capital punishment.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order was adopted, in concurrence : —

Whereas, It is a well-known fact to the public, as well as to railroad men, that when the wheels leave the track the trucks have a tendency to turn crosswise to the side of the road or ditch, push back under the car, or jump from under the train, allowing the ends of the cars to come into contact with the cross-ties, pile upon each other, and, if the accident occurs on an embankment, the cars roll over and are sometimes consumed by fire ; Mechanical appliances on railroads in case of accident.

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads inquire and report whether there are any mechanical devices or appliances that, in case of derailment, broken wheels, axle, frogs, switches or rails, will keep the wheels in a line with the rails.

The report of the State Board of Education upon the revision of the statutory list of studies required to be taught in the public schools, in compliance with chapter 29 of the Resolves of the year 1887, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Education. Report of the State Board of Education on the revision of the list of studies required to be taught in public schools.

A Bill relating to the issue of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors to druggists and apothecaries, reported on an order and passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading. Licensing of druggists and apothecaries to sell intoxicating liquors.

Petitions of L. C. Blackmer and others of North Brookfield ; Thomas Ash and others ; and members of Hose Company No. 1 of North Adams, — severally, in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others for an annual appropriation for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association, to aid firemen injured while in discharge of their duties, were severally referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions. Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Leach of Boston, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Chestnut Hill Real Estate Association of Marlborough. Chestnut Hill Real Estate Association of Marlborough.

South Scituate.

By Mr. Champlin of Chelsea, from the committee on Towns, on petitions, a Bill to authorize the town of South Scituate to change its name.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Report of the
State Board of
Arbitration.

By Mr. Poore of Bradford, from the committee on Printing, that the Bill (introduced on leave in the Senate) concerning the printing of the annual report of the State Board of Arbitration, ought to pass. Referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Death of a Member.

Death of a
member.

Mr. Gile of Worcester announced the death of Rowse R. Clarke of Northbridge, representative from the 10th Worcester District, and moved that a committee of five be appointed to attend the funeral and draft resolutions in honor of deceased.

The motion prevailed, and the Speaker appointed the following gentlemen as the committee: Messrs. Wilde of Malden, Haggerty of Southbridge, Fisher of Grafton, Rogers of Millbury and McCooey of Blackstone.

Without taking up the orders of the day, the House,
At twelve minutes past two o'clock, adjourned.

TUESDAY, February 7, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report Received.

The report of the examining committee of the State Board of Agriculture on the Massachusetts Agricultural College was received and was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Report of the examining committee of the State Board of Agriculture on the Massachusetts Agricultural College.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Morton of West Boylston, petition of Rev. N. D. George and others in favor of a charter for a savings bank in the town of West Boylston. Referred to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Savings bank in West Boylston.

By Mr. Wilkinson of Cambridge, petition of Salome Merritt and others of Boston that the Board of Charity Commissioners asked for in said city shall include one or more women. Referred to the committee on Cities.

Board of Charity Commissioners for Boston.

By Mr. Rogers of Orleans, remonstrance of John Kenrick and others against any legislation giving to authorities of towns and cities the power to grant permits to private parties to plant, grow and dig clams and other shell-fish. Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Private permits to plant, grow and dig clams and other shell-fish.

By Mr. Keane of Holyoke, petition of George Dunn and 136 others, tour workers in paper mills, for such legislation as will reduce their hours of labor to 65 1-2 hours per week. Referred to the committee on Labor.

Hours of labor.

By Mr. Trull of Tewksbury, petition of the selectmen and others of Billerica that State aid be granted to Munroe Morris

Munroe Morris.

By Mr. Brady of Lowell, petition of Barney McCabe for payment of a bounty.

Barney McCabe.

Severally referred to the committee on Military Affairs, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, in each case.

**Massachusetts
State Firemen's
Association.**

By Mr. White of Taunton, petitions of A. T. Sprague and others, and of F. P. Rogers, Jr., and others; by Mr. McCall of Winchester, petition of E. L. Garcelon and others; by Mr. Shaw of Newburyport, petition of L. W. Sargent and others; by Mr. Woodward of Wakefield, petition of Fountain Company No. 3; by Mr. Allen of Woburn, petition of C. H. Nichols and others; by Mr. Coveney of Cambridge, petition of Joseph S. Pike and others; by Mr. Leach of Boston, petition of Micah Dyer, Jr., and others; and by Mr. Dame of Newbury, petition of John L. Lewis and others, — severally, in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others of Boston for the passage of an act appropriating \$10,000 annually to the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Support of pauper lunatics.

By Mr. Qua of Lowell, petition of the trustees of the State lunatic hospitals for additional legislation in relation to the amount to be charged to the several cities and towns for the support of pauper lunatics in such asylums. Referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

**Newburyport
and Amesbury
Street Railway.**

By Mr. Symonds of Salem, petition of Willard G. Ferguson, superintendent of the Newburyport and Amesbury Street Railway, for legislation authorizing it to extend its tracks in the town of Merrimac and use other than horse power. Referred to the committee on Street Railways, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

**Division of
Brookfield.**

By Mr. Coolidge of West Brookfield, petition of Warren G. Fay and others for a division of the town of Brookfield and for the incorporation of the town of East Brookfield. Referred to the committee on Towns, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

**Annexation of
Deerfield to
Greenfield.**

By Mr. Haskell of Deerfield, remonstrances of Charles Jones and others; of Jonathan Ashley and others; of Levi J. Gunn and others; of J. A. Hawkes and others; of Elizabeth Amidon and others; of E. Andrews and others; and of Dennis Clary and others, — severally, against the petition of Joel DeWolf and others for the annexation of a part of Deerfield to the town of Greenfield.

Severally referred to the committee on Towns.

By Mr. Wadlin of Reading, petition of Chauncey P. Judd and others; by Mr. Ware of Boston, petition of A. A. Lovett and others; by Mr. Stowe of Bellingham, petition of William Carpenter and others; by Mr. Rugg of New Bedford, petition of M. A. Walker and others; by Mr. Fales of Norwood, petition of Frank M. Bailey and others; and by Mr. Smith of Athol, petition of Emily Eaton and others, — severally, that women qualified to vote for school committee be allowed to vote on the question of granting licenses to sell intoxicating liquors. Women voting on license question.

By Mr. Robinson of Westborough, petition of Eliza Fisher and others for legislation enabling women to vote on the question of licensing the sale of alcoholic liquors as a beverage. Ibid.

By Mr. Greenwood of Leominster, petition of Jonathan Drake and others of Leominster for the enactment of a law enabling women to vote in all town and municipal elections. Municipal suffrage for women.

Severally referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Symonds of Salem, petition of J. W. Raymond and others for permission to borrow \$55,000 on the credit of Essex County for the enlargement of the court house at Salem. Referred to the committee on County Estimates, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule. Salem court house.

By Mr. Grosvenor of Ludlow, petition of N. D. Wright and others; by Mr. Stowe of Bellingham, petition of Warren Leonard and others; by Mr. Rugg of New Bedford, petition of C. B. Seabury and others; by Mr. Fales of Norwood, petition of S. C. Beach and others; by Mr. Smith of Athol, petition of Charles Field and others; by Mr. Wadlin of Reading, petition of Chauncey P. Judd and others; and by Mr. Rogers of Orleans, petition of Isaac B. Young and others, — severally, for such amendment to chapter 305 of the Acts of 1886 as will raise the age of consent from thirteen to eighteen years. Age of consent.

Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Hagerty of Boston, petitions of Otis A. Ruggles and others; of John Bertram and others; of Arthur Fuller Pursuing fowl in sailboats.

and others ; and of Joseph Golden and others, — severally, to amend section 6, chapter 276 of the Acts of 1886, relative to pursuing fowl in a sailboat.

Severally referred, under the 12th joint rule, to the next General Court, the House having refused to suspend the rule by a vote of 103 to 45.

Taken from the Table.

Report of Inspector of Gas and Gas-meters.

On motion of Mr. Morey of Lowell, the annual report of the Inspector of Gas and Gas-meters was taken from the table and was referred to the committee on Manufactures.

Report of Board of Registration in Dentistry.

On motion of Mr. Wilkinson of Cambridge, the first annual report of the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Dentistry was taken from the table and was referred to the committee on Public Health.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Abington water loan.

A Bill to authorize the town of Abington to make an additional water loan, reported on a petition and passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Beverly Fuel Society.

The House Bill to incorporate the Beverly Fuel Society, passed to be engrossed by the House, came down from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Gile of Worcester, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

Petitions of the Board of Fire Engineers and F. A. Hobart and others of Braintree ; and of James Smith and others of East Boston : Hose Company No. 6 of Boston ; and Engine Company No. 3 of Cambridge, — severally, in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others for an annual appropriation for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association, to aid firemen injured while in discharge of their duties, were severally referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Tyler of Middleton, from the committee on **Weekly payments.**
Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the repeal of the law which now makes compulsory the weekly payment of wages by corporations.

By Mr. Dame of Methuen, from the committee on **Catching of lobsters in Barnstable Harbor.**
Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition of F. B. Goss and others for legislation forbidding the catching of lobsters by pots or traps in Barnstable Harbor, between its head waters and the red buoy.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Sohier of Beverly, from the committee on **Salary of justice of Central District Court of Worcester.**
Public Service, on an order, a Bill to establish the salary of the justice of the Central District Court of Worcester.

By Mr. Hall of Taunton, from the committee on **Sentences to the Massachusetts Reformatory.**
Prisons, on so much of the Governor's Address as relates to the Massachusetts Reformatory, a Bill relating to sentences to the Massachusetts Reformatory.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, from the committee on **Report of the Trustees of the Massachusetts Agricultural College.**
Finance, that the Resolve relative to printing one thousand additional copies of the report of the Trustees of the Massachusetts Agricultural College ought to pass.

By Mr. Hartwell of Ayer, from the same committee, **Report of the General Superintendent of Prisons.**
that the Resolve providing for printing additional copies of the report of the General Superintendent of Prisons ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, from the committee on **Appropriation bill.**
Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making an appropriation for compensation and expenses of the joint special committee appointed by the Legislature of 1887. Read, and, under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Ware, the bill was read a second and a third time and was passed to be engrossed and sent at once to the Senate for concurrence. Rule 15 having also been suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

- Engrossed bills :**
- Bills enacted.** To change the name of the Harrell Manufacturing Company ;
- Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury ;
- Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Prison, Massachusetts Reformatory, the Reformatory Prison for Women, and for expenses in connection therewith ;
- Making appropriations for sundry charitable expenses ;
- To change the name of the Bridgman and Smythe Company ;
- (Which severally originated in the House) ; and
- Concerning the State Library ;
- Relating to the printing and distribution of the annual reports of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor ;
- To define the meaning of the words " contract for the labor of prisoners," as used in chapter four hundred and forty-seven of the Acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-seven ;
- (Which severally originated in the Senate) ;
- Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

- Resolve passed.** An engrossed Resolve in relation to public records of parishes, towns and counties (which originated in the House) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

- Orders of the Day.** The report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles P. Searle for an increase of the capital stock of the National Mortgage and Debiture Company, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on the Liquor Law, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Isaac C. Howland and others for the repeal of chapter 431 of the Acts of 1887 relative to licensing druggists and apothecaries to sell intoxicating liquors, and the re-enactment of so much of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes as was repealed by said act, was accepted, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to further protecting that class of operatives known as weavers from unjust and unnecessary deductions of wages for imperfect weaving, was postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, to be placed first in the orders of the day, on motion of Mr. Collison of Boston.

Bills :

Making an appropriation for continuing the preparation for publication and for the publication of the provincial laws ;

To authorize the town of South Scituate to change its name ;

To incorporate the Chestnut Hill Real Estate Association of Marlborough ; and

To incorporate the trustees of the Delta Upsilon Society of Williams College ; and

Resolves :

In favor of the trustees of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts ;

To confirm the acts of Henry Walker as justice of the peace and the quorum ;

In favor of the Soldiers' Messenger Corps :

Providing for the printing of additional copies of the Thirty-fifth Annual Report of the Secretary of the State Board of Agriculture ; and

Providing for the printing of extra copies of the report of the Massachusetts Agricultural Experiment Station ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to authorize the Boston and Providence Railroad Corporation to lease its railroad to the Old Colony Railroad Company was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. On motion of Mr. Gile of Worcester, it was voted that debate be closed at five minutes before five o'clock, unless a vote should be sooner reached. After debate the bill was ordered to a third reading by a vote of 126 to 46.

At seven minutes past five o'clock, adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, February 8, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reconsideration.

Pursuing fowl
in sailboats.

Mr. Hagerty of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, refused to suspend the 12th Joint Rule, on the petitions of Otis A. Ruggles and others; of John Bertram and others; Arthur Fuller and others; Joseph Golden and others, — severally, to amend section 6, chapter 276 of the Acts of 1886, relative to pursuing fowl in a sailboat. The motion prevailed, and the question recurring on the suspension of the rule, it was suspended, and the petitions were referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game, and sent up for concurrence.

Report Received.

Report of the
State Board of
Health on
sewage disposal
of the Mystic
and Charles
River Valleys.

A communication was received from the State Board of Health, transmitting a report in accordance with chapter 95 of the Resolves of the year 1887, relative to the sewage disposal of the Mystic and Charles River valleys, which was referred to the committee on Drainage, and sent up for concurrence.

Petitions Presented.

Appointment
of a solicitor-
general and
assistant solic-
itors-general.

By Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, petitions of Henry H. Proctor and others, and John C. Ropes and others, — severally, for the appointment of a solicitor-general and assistant solicitors-general.

Severally referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Massachusetts
State Firemen's
Association.

By Mr. Woodward of Wakefield, petition of James F. Garraty and others in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others of Boston for the passage of an act appropriating \$10,000 annually to the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association. Referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

By Mr Haggerty of Southbridge, petition of Francis L. Chapin and others for a charter for a street railway in the town of Southbridge. Referred to the committee on Street Railways, under a suspension of the 12th Joint-Rule, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Street railway
in Southbridge.

By Mr. Taft of New Marlborough, petition of Egbert D. Norton and others; by Mr. Winchester of Holyoke, petition of C. A. Corser and others; by Mr. Trull of Tewksbury, petition of Joseph M. Fletcher and others; by Mr. Slocum of Newton, petition of William R. Newhall and others; by Mr. Conant of Gardner, petition of Robert F. Tolman and others; by Mr. Hitchcock of Ware, petition of James E. Clark and others; by Mr. Morin of Adams, petition of C. S. Sargent and others; by Mr. Leach of Boston, petition of Charles B. Fox and others; and by Mr. Clark of Natick, petition of S. W. Tibbetts and others,—severally, that women qualified to vote for school committee be allowed to vote on the question of granting licenses to sell intoxicating liquors.

Women voting
on the license
question.

Severally referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Taft of New Marlborough, petition of Sheldon Norton and others; by Mr. Trull of Tewksbury, petition of Joseph A. Chase and others; by Mr. McCall of Winchester petition of J. S. Nowell and others; by Mr. Slocum of Newton, petition of Samuel W. Dike and others; by Mr. Conant of Gardner, petition of E. Lovell and others; by Mr. Hitchcock of Ware, petition of Mary C. Potter and others; by Mr. Morin of Adams, petition of C. S. Sargent and others; by Mr. Leach of Boston, petition of Charles B. Fox and others; and by Mr. Clark of Natick, petition of Marietta Clark and others,—severally, for such amendment to chapter 305 of the Acts of 1886 as will raise the age of consent from thirteen to eighteen years.

Age of consent.

Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Sullivan of Lawrence, remonstrance of Thomas P. Cahill and 1,665 others against the repeal of the weekly payment bill. Placed on file.

Weekly pay-
ment of wages.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Sohler of Beverly, —

Limit of debate
on motions
to suspend
rules.

Ordered, That the committee on Rules consider the expediency of a rule limiting the time of debate on any motion to suspend the rules.

The following order, offered by Mr. Quincy of Quincy, was laid over at the request of Mr. Wadlin of Reading: —

Lease of the
Boston and
Providence
Railroad to the
Old Colony
Railroad Com-
pany.

Ordered, That the Board of Railroad Commissioners is hereby instructed to consider the proposed lease of the Boston and Providence Railroad to the Old Colony Railroad Company, to give public hearings thereon, and to report to the General Court, within thirty days of the passage of this order, whether, in the judgment of said board, such lease would be for the public advantage, and is consistent with sound public policy.

Taken from the Table.

Report of the
examining com-
mittee of the
State Board of
Agriculture on
the Agricul-
tural College.

On motions of Mr. Brigham of Marlborough, the report of the examining committee of the State Board of Agriculture on the Massachusetts Agricultural College, was taken from the table and was referred to the committee on Agriculture and sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence: —

Registration of
plumbers in the
city of New
Bedford.

Petition of the Board of Health of the city of New Bedford for legislation providing for the registration of plumbers in said city. To the committee on Cities, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Australian
system of
voting.

Petition of Thomas F. Bryan and others for the establishment of the Australian system of voting, so that ballots may be printed at the public expense and distributed by a public officer. To the committee on Election Laws.

Massachusetts
State Firemen's
Association.

Petitions of J. D. Hillard and others of Provincetown; of Charles K. Hills and others; and of members of Hook and Ladder Company No. 1 of Lynn, Edward Manchester and others of Fairhaven, Wendell O. Hunt and others, and members of Engine Company No. 2 of Hingham, —

severally, in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others for an annual appropriation for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association, to aid firemen injured while in discharge of their duties.

Severally to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Petition of the selectmen of the towns of Shirley and Groton in aid of the petition of Clark A. Batchelder and others that the salary of the clerk of the First District Court of Northern Middlesex be increased. To the committee on Public Service.

Salary of clerk of First District Court of Northern Middlesex.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Spring of Holliston, from the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Jacob O. Winchester for reimbursement of money paid by him for a substitute, when drafted into the service of the United States; he having afterwards served in the navy from July 31, 1863, until the close of the War of the Rebellion.

Jacob O. Winchester.

By Mr. Woodward of Wakefield, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Louis A. Kent, who served in the United States Navy during the War of the Rebellion, that he may be credited to the quota of Massachusetts.

Louis A. Kent.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Clark of Huntington, from the committee on County Estimates, on an order, a Bill authorizing the county commissioners of Middlesex County to erect an addition to the registry of deeds building in Cambridge. Read and ordered to a second reading.

Addition to registry of deeds building in Cambridge.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the repeal of the law which now makes compulsory the weekly payment of wages by corporations; and

Orders of the Day.

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition of F. B. Goss and others for legislation forbidding the catching of lobsters by pots or

traps in Barnstable Harbor between its head waters and the Red Buoy ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

Relating to sentences to the Massachusetts Reformatory ;

To establish the salary of the justice of the Central District Court of Worcester ; and

To authorize the town of Abington to make an additional water loan ; and

Resolves :

Providing for printing additional copies of the report of the General Superintendent of Prisons ; and

Relative to printing one thousand additional copies of the report of the trustees of the Massachusetts Agricultural College ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To amend section 3 of chapter 116 of the Public Statutes relating to the annual examination of savings banks (the title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

Making an appropriation for continuing the preparation for publication and for the publication of the provincial laws ; and

To incorporate the Chestnut Hill Real Estate Association of Marlborough ; and

Resolves :

To confirm the acts of Henry W. Walker as justice of the peace and of the quorum ;

In favor of the Soldiers' Messenger Corps ;

Providing for printing three thousand extra copies of the Thirty-fifth Annual Report of the Secretary of the State Board of Agriculture (the title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ; and

Providing for printing fifteen thousand extra copies of the report of the Massachusetts Agricultural Experiment Station (the title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to incorporate the trustees of the Delta Upsilon Society of Williams College, and the

Resolve in favor of the trustees of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to further protecting that class of operatives known as weavers from unjust and unnecessary deductions of wages for imperfect weaving, was further considered. Mr. McCooley of Blackstone moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to prohibit the imposition of fines or deductions of wages of employees engaged at weaving." After debate, Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill raised the point of order that the bill was beyond the scope of the order considered by the committee. The Speaker declared the point well taken and the bill was ruled out. Mr. McCooley moved that the report be laid upon the table, which motion prevailed.

The Bill to authorize savings banks and institutions for savings to invest in the bonds and notes of the Boston and Lowell Railroad Corporation was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. After debate, amendments moved by Messrs. Milne of Fall River, Wyman of Hyde Park and Barrett of Melrose were adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

At five o'clock, adjourned.

THURSDAY, February 9, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report Received.

Report of Commissioners of Topographical Survey for the year 1887.

A message was received from His Excellency the Governor transmitting the report of the Commissioners of the State Topographical Survey for the year 1887, which was laid on the table and ordered to be printed, on motion of Mr. Ware of Boston.

Petitions Presented.

Licensing the digging and planting of clams.

By Mr. Rogers of Orleans, remonstrance of George Eldridge and others against any legislation granting to mayors and aldermen of cities or the selectmen of towns authority to grant licenses to any inhabitant thereof to plant, grow and dig clams upon and in any flats or creeks therein.

Lobsters.

By Mr. Milliken of Malden, petition of the Massachusetts Fish and Game Protective Association in relation to the lobster fishery.

Woodcock.

By the same gentleman, petition of the Massachusetts Fish and Game Protective Association in relation to a change of the law opening the season for woodcock shooting.

Severally referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

By Mr. Stowe of Bellingham, petition of Cornelius O'Donoghue and others; by Mr. Quincy of Quincy, petition of E. E. Williamson and others; by Mr. Southwick of Peabody, petition of W. W. Reed and others; by Mr. Floyd of Winthrop, petition of Charles T. Fenno and others; by Mr. McDonough of Boston, petition of William E. Bell and others; by Mr. Coolidge of West Brookfield, petition of C. B. Sanford and others; by Mr. Kendall of Fitchburg, petition of D. W. Tinsley and others; by Mr. Peirson of Pittsfield, petition of F. A. Hull and others; by Mr. Holbrook of Weymouth, petition of Hose Company No. 2 of East Weymouth; by Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, petition of W. A. Pearce and others; by Mr. O'Brien of Hopkinton, petition of G. A.

Bridges and others; and by Mr. Clark of Natick, petition of E. M. Phipps and others, — severally, in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others of Boston for the passage of an act appropriating \$10,000 annually to the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

By Mr. Griswold of Greenfield, petition of Charles E. Williams and 37 others that only a portion of the territory of the town of Deerfield mentioned in the petition of Joel DeWolf be annexed to the town of Greenfield. Referred to the committee on Towns.

Annexation of a part of Deerfield to Greenfield.

By Mr. Allen of Woburn, petition of Jennie E. Skinner and others; by Mr. Miller of Needham, petition of Joseph C. Fisk and others; by Mr. McCall of Winchester, petition of J. S. Nowell and others; and by Mr. Rogerson of Mansfield, petition of N. O. Danforth and others, — severally, that women qualified to vote for school committee be allowed to vote on the question of granting licenses to sell intoxicating liquors.

Women voting on the license question.

By Mr. Slocum of Newton, petition of Seth Davis and others; by Mr. Cheney of Worcester, petition of Sarah B. Earle and others; by Mr. Richards of Lynn, petition of Enoch Munroe and others; by Mr. Thompson of Brockton, petition of C. B. Pitblado and others; by Mr. Fisher of Grafton, petition of C. A. Sturtevant and others; by Mr. Miller of Needham, petition of George White and others; and by Mr. Bixby of Brockton, petition of Olivia C. Williams and others, — severally, for the enactment of a law enabling women to vote in all town and municipal elections.

Municipal suffrage for women.

Severally referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Pratt of Abington, —

Ordered, That the committee on Education consider the expediency of such legislation as shall define the rights and duties of the Governor of the Commonwealth under chapter 41 of the Public Statutes and chapter 241 of the Acts of the year 1886, relating to the education of deaf-mutes.

Education of deaf-mutes.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Kearn of North Adams, —

Hour of meeting
on Fridays.

Ordered, That when the House adjourns on Thursday of each week it be to meet on the following Friday at one o'clock P.M.

Boston and
Providence
Railroad and
Old Colony
Railroad.

The order laid over from yesterday relative to instructing the Board of Railroad Commissioners to consider the proposed lease of the Boston and Providence Railroad to the Old Colony Railroad Company, was considered, and was rejected by a vote of 24 to 138.

Taken from the Table.

Imperfect
weaving.

On motion of Mr. McCooley of Blackstone, the report of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to further protecting that class of operatives known as weavers from unjust and unnecessary deductions of wages for imperfect weaving, was taken from the table. Mr. McCooley moved to amend by substituting a "Bill to prohibit the imposition of fines or deductions of wages of employees engaged at weaving." Pending the amendment, and pending the question on the acceptance of the report, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, to be placed first in the orders of the day.

Committee on Water Supply.

Committee on
Water Supply.

On motion of Mr. Finney of Plymouth, the members of the committee on Water Supply on the part of the House were allowed to attend committee hearing during the afternoon session of the House.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order, substituted in the Senate for an order reported by the committee on Expediting Legislative Business and referred to the committee on Expenditures, relative to the issuing of a daily legislative bulletin of committee hearings, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on concurring with the Senate in its adoption: —

Bulletin of
committee
hearings.

Ordered, That the Sergeant-at-Arms obtain from the various committees of the General Court, lists of matters assigned for hearing, and the dates of such assignments, and cause the same to be printed three times in each week for the information of members and parties inter-

ested therein, such printing to cease when the committee on Expediting Legislative Business shall deem the same no longer necessary or expedient.

Bills :

To change the name of the Grafton Centre Railroad Company ; and

Grafton Centre Railroad Company.

To authorize the Seamen's Widow and Orphan Association of Salem to hold additional real and personal property ;

Seamen's Widow and Orphan Association of Salem.

Severally reported on petitions and severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

A Bill to increase the number of associate justices of the Superior Court, reported, in part, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the courts, and passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Increase of number of associate justices of the Superior Court.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence :—

Petition of Harriet Lemist and others of Boston that the Board of Charity Commissioners, asked for in said city, shall include one or more women. To the committee on Cities.

Board of Charity Commissioners for Boston.

Petition of the Springfield Home for Friendless Women and Children for authority to hold additional real and personal estate. To the committee on Mercantile Affairs, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Springfield Home for Friendless Women and Children.

Petition of Charles H. Day and others of Gloucester in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others for an annual appropriation for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association, to aid firemen injured while in discharge of their duties. To the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

Petitions of E. S. Wheeler and others of Framingham ; of C. M. Clapp and others of South Hadley ; and of L. M. Pierce and others of Blackstone, — severally, that women qualified to vote for school committee be allowed to vote on the question of licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors.

Women voting on the license question.

Severally to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

The House petition of J. W. Raymond and others for permission to borrow \$55,000 on the credit of Essex

Enlargement of the court house at Salem.

County, for the enlargement of the court house at Salem, came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Reports of Committees.

Jurisdiction and powers of constables in the city of Boston in the service of civil process.

By Mr. Smith of Athol, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to extending the jurisdiction and powers of constables in the city of Boston in the service of civil process.

Election of aldermen in Boston by districts.

By Mr. Parkman of Boston, from the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to repealing chapter 250 of the Acts of 1884, relative to the election of aldermen in the city of Boston by districts.

Alewife fisheries in North River.

By Mr. Crowell of Dennis, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Fish Committee of the town of Hanson for amendment of section 3 of chapter 350 of the Acts of 1853 concerning alewife fisheries in North River.

Employment of minors and women on premises where intoxicating liquor is sold.

By Mr. Eames of Lawrence, from the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to prohibiting the employment of women and minors upon premises where the sale of intoxicating liquors is the principal business.

Search warrants in cases of illegal liquor selling.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to giving authority to search persons as well as premises in cases of illegal liquor selling.

Cider and native wines.

By Mr. Rogers of Orleans, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 100 of the Public Statutes so that cider and native wines shall not be excepted from the provisions of said chapter.

Compensation for injuries caused by intoxicated persons.

By Mr. McEttrick of Boston, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that persons injured in person, property or means of support by reason of the intoxication of any person shall be compensated out of money received for license fees, and for a tribunal to pass upon such claims.

Blanks for returns of contagious diseases.

By Mr. D. J. Quinn of Boston, from the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring that boards of health of any city or town shall furnish on application blanks to be filled by physi-

cians in making returns to the Board of Health of contagious diseases ; also, that compensation shall be made for such returns.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Colby of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the city of Boston for legislation relative to requiring a daily session of one magistrate at each police station for the disposal of all criminal cases. Read, and, on motions of Mr. E. J. Donovan of Boston, the rule was suspended and the report was laid on the table.

Boston,—daily sessions of magistrates at police stations.

By Mr. Collison of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill to confirm the proceedings of a certain town meeting of the town of Attleborough.

Town meeting of the town of Attleborough.

By Mr. Raymond of Hinsdale, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Ludlow Savings Bank.

Ludlow Savings Bank.

By Mr. Richards of Lynn, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill concerning the records and annual returns of savings banks.

Records and annual returns of savings banks.

By Mr. Close of Cambridge, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Cambridge to borrow money in excess of the limit allowed by law.

By Mr. Cronin of Worcester, from the committee on the Liquor Law, on an order, a Bill in relation to the service of officers and members of the Law and Order League upon juries. [Mr. Gleason, of the Senate, and Messrs. Manning of Worcester and Haynes of Sturbridge, of the House, dissenting.]

Service of officers and members of the Law and Order League upon juries.

By Mr. Sohier of Beverly, from the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the police court of Haverhill.

Salary of clerk of Haverhill police court.

By Mr. Towne of Lynn, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the district court of East Norfolk.

Salary of clerk of district court of East Norfolk.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Flynn of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Resolve confirming the acts of James B. Carroll as a justice of the peace ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

James B. Carroll.

Massachusetts
Charitable Eye
and Ear
Infirmary.

By Mr. Warden of Waltham, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

Making an appropriation for investigations into the best methods of protecting the purity of inland waters ;

Making an appropriation for compensation and expenses of the joint special committee appointed by the Legislature of 1887 ;

Making appropriations for salaries and expenses at the State Farm at Bridgewater.

To incorporate the Beverly Fuel Society ;

In relation to the Hitchcock Free High School in Brimfield.

To amend the charter of the Mutual Boiler Insurance Company of Boston ; and

To authorize the city of Salem to accept the deed of gift of Mary A. Bertram and others, and to carry out the provisions thereof ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed.

An engrossed Resolve in favor of Annie Fitzgerald of North Adams (which originated in the House), was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw :

Orders of the
Day.

On the petition of Jacob O. Winchester for reimbursement of money paid by him for a substitute when drafted into the service of the United States ; and

On the petition of Louis A. Kent, who served in the United States Navy during the War of the Rebellion, that he may be credited to the quota of Massachusetts ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill authorizing the County Commissioners of Middlesex County to erect an addition to the registry of deeds building in Cambridge, was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Relating to sentences to the Massachusetts Reformatory ;

To establish the salary of the justice of the Central District Court of Worcester ; and

To authorize the town of South Scituate to change its name (amended on motions of Mr. Walworth of Newton) ; and the

Resolve providing for printing additional copies of the report of the General Superintendent of Prisons ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the town of Abington to make an additional water loan was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill in relation to the Nantasket Beach Railroad was read a third time, amended, on motion, of Mr. Wadlin of Reading, by inserting a new section, to be numbered section 3, and, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

The Bill authorizing the county commissioners of Essex County to reimburse the city of Lawrence for a portion of the expense of rebuilding the Lawrence and Andover bridges in said city was read a third time and considered. Mr. Breed of Lynn moved that the bill be recommitted with instructions to grant a hearing and to notify the city and town authorities of the county. After debate the motion was lost by a vote of 71 to 88. On further motion of Mr. Breed the bill was then postponed for further consideration until Thursday, Feb. 16 by a vote of 95 to 39, pending the question on its engrossment.

The Bill relating to the issue of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors to druggists and apothecaries was read a second time and considered, and, after debate, was ordered to a third reading by a vote of 84 to 69.

The Bill to authorize the Boston and Providence Railroad Corporation to lease its railroad to the Old Colony Railroad Company was read a third time and considered, and, after debate, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence by a vote of 120 to 31.

At eight minutes before five o'clock, adjourned.

FRIDAY, February 10, 1888.

Met according to adjournment, at one o'clock P. M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Communication from the Insurance Commissioner.*Clerical
assistance in the
Insurance
Department.

A communication was received from the Insurance Commissioner, asking for an increased appropriation for clerical assistance in his department, which was read and referred to the committee on Public Service and sent up for concurrence.

*Petitions Presented.*Australian sys-
tem of voting.

By Mr. White of Taunton, petition of P. J. Devine and others in favor of the Australian system of voting, so that ballots may be printed at the public expense and distributed by a public officer. Referred to the committee on Election Laws.

Intoxicating
liquors.

By Mr. Milne of Fall River, petition of Andrew J. Jennings and others for various amendments to the liquor law. Referred to the committee on the Liquor Law.

Massachusetts
State Firemen's
Association.

By Mr. Gibson of Chicopee, petition of C. E. Butler and others; by Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, petition of Frank C. Foster and others; by Mr. Seavey of Medway, petition of E. S. Wilmarth and others; by Mr. Conwell of Provincetown, petition of John Q. Adams and others; by Mr. O'Brien of Hopkinton, petition of Alert Hose Company No. 1 of Hopkinton; and by Mr. Southwick of Peabody, petition of Hose Company No. 5 of Peabody, — severally, in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others of Boston for the passage of an act appropriating \$10,000 annually to the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Municipal
suffrage for
women.

By Mr. McCarthy of Brockton, petition of Lydia B. Willis and others; and by Mr. Wilkinson of Cambridge, petition of Rebecca W. Dresser and others, — severally, for the enactment of a law enabling women to vote in all town and municipal elections.

Severally referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage. Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Allen of Woburn, petition of S. D. Hosmer and others for such amendment to chapter 305 of the Acts of 1886 as will raise the age of consent from thirteen to eighteen years. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Age of consent.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Ware of Boston,—

Ordered, That the committee on Printing consider the expediency of printing one thousand additional copies of the report of the Commission on a Topographical Survey and Map of the Commonwealth for the use of said commission.

Report of the Commission on Topographical Survey and Map of the Commonwealth.

Sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to preventing the spread of, and exterminating, the disease among neat stock known as tuberculosis, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Tuberculosis among neat stock.

Reports :

Of the committee on Election Laws, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition of E. M. Chamberlin and others for the abolition of the poll-tax as a prerequisite for voting, and recommending that the same be placed on file ; and

Poll-tax qualification for voting.

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the order relative to legislation to secure the use of the patent ballot-boxes in taking the vote on the question of granting liquor licenses and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Election Laws ;

Ballot-boxes for taking the vote on granting liquor licenses.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and accepted, in concurrence.

A Resolve concerning the erection of a memorial to Crispus Attucks and others, reported on a petition and passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Crispus Attucks.

Notice was received from the Senate that the House petition of Warren G. Fay and others for a division of the town of Brookfield, and for the incorporation of the town of East Brookfield, had been referred, by that branch, to the next General Court, under the 12th Joint Rule.

Division of Brookfield.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence :

West
Amesbury
Manufacturing
Company.

Petition of the West Amesbury Manufacturing Company for a change of its corporate name. To the committee on Mercantile Affairs, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Massachusetts
State Firemen's
Association.

Petitions of James Goodson and others of Westvale; George S. Withington and others; John F. Moylan and others; and Thomas H. Hearn and John Comerford and others of Boston, — severally, in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others for an annual appropriation for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association, to aid firemen injured while in discharge of their duties.

Severally to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Reports of Committees.

Henry O.
Downing.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Henry O. Downing for compensation for loss of time and for alleged false imprisonment and other injuries caused by the alleged illegal proceedings of the grand jury in Norfolk County.

Furnishing
liquor to
minors.

By Mr. Manning of Worcester, from the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 24 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes relative to furnishing liquor to minors.

Intoxicating
liquors, —
minors.

By Mr. Haynes of Sturbridge, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to making it a criminal offence to allow minors to loiter on the premises where intoxicating liquors are sold.

Territorial
limits for the
sale of intoxicating
liquor
in the city of
Salem.

By Mr. Driscoll of Lynn, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the city of Salem asking for legislation to enable said city to establish territorial limits outside of which no licenses shall be granted for the keeping or sale of spirituous or intoxicating liquors.

Notice to
owners of
buildings of
convictions
under the
liquor law.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relating to amending section 20 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, relative to notice to owners of buildings of convictions under the liquor law.

Salary of clerk
of Second
District Court
of Eastern
Worcester.

By Mr. Grosvenor of Ludlow, from the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Frank E. Howard, clerk of the Second District Court of Eastern Worcester, for an increase of salary.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

By Mr. Pratt of Abington, from the committee on the Judiciary, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject-matter of the order relative to the regulation of employment and intelligence offices and to prevent the furnishing of female help for houses of ill-fame, and recommending its reference to the committee on Labor. Read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence in the reference.

Intelligence offices.

By Mr. Cheney of Worcester, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Taunton to raise money for the celebration of the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary of its settlement as a town.

Taunton, — two hundred and fiftieth anniversary.

By Mr. Close of Cambridge, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relating to the Board of Registrars of Voters in the city of Cambridge.

Registrars of voters in Cambridge.

By Mr. Manning of Worcester, from the committee on the Liquor Law, on an order, a Bill to exclude from juries in the trial of cases arising under the liquor laws all persons engaged in the manufacture or sale of intoxicating liquors.

Liquor dealers as jurors in trials of liquor cases.

By Mr. Gracey of Salem, from the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, on a petition, a Bill to change the name of the Parish of St. Anne's in the town of Chelmsford.

Parish of St. Anne's, Chelmsford.

By Mr. Grosvenor of Ludlow, from the committee on Public Service, on an order and a petition, a Bill relative to clerks of police and district courts.

Clerks of police and district courts.

By Mr. Cutler of Somerville, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to establish the salary of the sheriff of the county of Middlesex.

Salary of sheriff of Middlesex County.

By Mr. Finney of Plymouth, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition, a Bill to supply the town of Brookfield with pure water.

Brookfield water supply.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve in favor of William Johnson ought to pass in a new draft with the same title.

William Johnson.

By Mr. Dexter of Lowell, from the committee on Finance, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Henry Tredo.

Henry Tredo.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Gleason of Holbrook, from the committee on Public Service, on an order, a Bill to establish the salary of the judge of probate and insolvency for the county of Essex.

Salary of the judge of probate and insolvency for the county of Essex.

Clerk hire in
the Insurance
Department.

By Mr. Cutler of Somerville, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to amend section 5 of chapter 214 of the Acts of the year 1887 relating to clerk hire in the Insurance Department.

Uniforms and
equipments for
officers of Com-
panies C and G,
Sixth Regiment
Infantry,
M. V. M.

By Mr. Boardman of Marblehead, from the committee on Military Affairs, on an order, a Resolve to provide uniforms and equipments for officers of Companies C and G of the Sixth Regiment Infantry, Massachusetts Volunteer Militia.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to repealing chapter 250 of the Acts of 1884, relative to the election of aldermen in the city of Boston by districts ;

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Fish Committee of the town of Hanson for amendment of section 3 of chapter 350 of the Acts of 1853, concerning alewife fisheries in North River ;

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to providing that persons injured in person, property or means of support by reason of the intoxication of any person shall be compensated out of money received from license fees, and for a tribunal to pass upon such claims ;

On an order relative to amending chapter 100 of the Public Statutes so that cider and native wines shall not be excepted from the provisions of said chapter ; and

On an order relative to giving authority to search persons as well as premises in cases of illegal liquor selling ; and

Of the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring that boards of health of any city or town shall furnish, on application, blanks to be filled by physicians in making returns to the board of health of contagious diseases ; also that compensation shall be made for such returns ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To establish the salary of the clerk of the police court of Haverhill ;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the District Court of East Norfolk ;

To incorporate the Ludlow Savings Bank ;

To confirm the proceedings of a certain town meeting of the town of Attleborough ;

To change the name of the Grafton Centre Railroad Company ; and

To authorize the Seamen's Widow and Orphan Association of Salem to hold additional real and personal property ; and the

Resolve confirming the acts of James B. Carroll as a justice of the peace ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Resolve relative to printing one thousand additional copies of the report of the trustees of the Massachusetts Agricultural College, was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

RESOLUTIONS ON THE DEATH OF DR. ROWSE R. CLARKE.

The orders of the day having been laid on the table, Mr. Wilde of Malden, from the committee appointed to attend the funeral of the late Dr. Rowse R. Clarke, Representative from the Tenth Worcester Representative District, and to prepare resolutions of respect in honor of the deceased, reported the following : —

Death of
Rowse R.
Clarke.

Resolutions on the death of Dr. Rowse R. Clarke of Northbridge, Representative from the Tenth Worcester District.

Resolved, That the members of the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, recognizing the worth and fitness of the late Rowse R. Clarke as a member of the House of Representatives of eighteen hundred and eighty-eight, from the Tenth Worcester Representative District, desire to express their appreciation of the great loss which the Commonwealth and this House have suffered in his death, and, mindful of his sterling worth as a citizen and a patriot, who served his country in time of danger, to put upon record this tribute to his memory.

Resolved, That the Clerk be directed to enter these resolutions upon the records of this House, and to forward a copy thereof to the family of the deceased.

After remarks by Messrs. Wilde of Malden, Gile of Worcester, Haggerty of Southbridge and Hartwell of Ayer, the resolutions were unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Gile of Worcester;—

Precept for
election in the
Tenth Worcester
Representative
District.

Ordered, That the Speaker issue a precept, giving notice that a vacancy exists in the Tenth Worcester Representative District, and appointing a time for an election to fill said vacancy.

At seven minutes before two o'clock, adjourned.

MONDAY, February 13, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Hatch of Marshfield, petition of Edward S. Tobey and others, in aid of the petition of the Standish Monument Association for aid from the Commonwealth in finishing the Standish Monument. Referred to the committee on Expenditures.

Standish Monument.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, petition of J. Philbrick and others for the appointment of a Solicitor-General and Assistant Solicitors-General. Referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Solicitor-general and assistant solicitors-general.

By Mr. Close of Cambridge, petition of Thomas and Sarah Fitzmaurice for State aid. Referred to the committee on Military Affairs, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Thomas and Sarah Fitzmaurice.

By Mr. Kendall of Fitchburg, petition of W. E. Wilder and others; by Mr. Dame of Methuen, petition of J. Q. Hill and others; by Mr. Brown of Boston, petition of William G. Blanchard and others; by Mr. Rounsevell of Freetown, petition of Engine Company No. 3 and others; by Mr. McCall of Winchester, petition of W. H. Broderick and others; by Mr. Keane of Holyoke, petition of W. E. Stetson and others; and by Mr. Perkins of Winchendon, petition of L. F. Martin and others, — severally, in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others of Boston for the passage of an act appropriating \$10,000 annually to the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

By Mr. Milliken of Malden, petition of Rufus K. Noyes, M. D., for the modification of the vaccination laws excluding unvaccinated children from the public schools. Referred to the committee on Public Health.

Excluding unvaccinated children from public schools.

Grand Junction
Railroad.
Boston and
Albany Rail-
road tracks in
Cambridge.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, remonstrance of the Boston Chamber of Commerce against any legislation limiting the hours during which the Grand Junction Railroad can be operated in Cambridge. Referred to the committee on Railroads.

Division of
Beverly.

By Mr. Sohier of Beverly, remonstrance of Joseph K. White and 49 others against the division of Beverly giving \$8 per poll in the proposed town to \$1 per poll in the old town. Referred to the committee on Towns.

Municipal
suffrage for
women.

By Mr. Manning of Worcester, petition of Rev. C. M. Southgate and others; by Mr. Robinson of Southborough, petition of A. J. Snow and others; by Mr. McCall of Winchester, petition of Mrs. F. A. Whittemore and others; by Mr. Hill of Spencer, petition of George Kinney and others; by Mr. Perkins of Winchendon, petition of N. H. Alger and others; by Mr. Richards of Lynn, petition of H. Elmira Mann and others; and by Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, petition of Abby W. Wyman and others,—severally, for the enactment of a law enabling women to vote in all town and municipal elections.

Severally referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage. Severally sent up for concurrence.

Age of consent.

By Mr. Pierce of Watertown, petition of L. T. Townsend and others for such amendment to chapter 305 of the Acts of 1886 as will raise the age of consent from thirteen to eighteen years. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Payment of poll-
tax as a
prerequisite for
voting.

By Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, petition of Warren Boyden and others in favor of the abolition of the poll-tax as a prerequisite for voting. Placed on file.

Orders.

Report of the
Board of Gas
Commissioners.

On motion of Mr. Morey of Lowell, —

Ordered, That the committee on Printing consider the expediency of printing additional copies of the Board of Gas Commissioners.

Sent up for concurrence.

Pegan or
Dudley Indians.

On motion of Mr. Ware of Boston, —

Ordered, That the Treasurer ascertain and report to this House, whether the provisions of sundry resolves of the General Court relating to the Pegan or Dudley Indians

or to the guardians of said Indians and the Commonwealth have been complied with, viz.: A resolve under date of June 17, 1797; a resolve approved June 10, 1814; and a resolve approved May 29, 1857; and that he make, so far as is possible, a full and detailed statement of the various amounts paid and received by the Commonwealth on account of said resolves, and any and all other acts and resolves since passed relating to the said Indians or the guardians of said Indians.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports:

Of the committee on Education, leave to withdraw, on the petition of C. W. Emerson and others that the medical college of the American Health Society be empowered to confer medical degrees; American Health Society.

Of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George E. Messer for legislation to prevent accidents caused by runaway locomotives; and Runaway locomotives.

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Michael O'Neil for State aid; Michael O'Neil.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

A Resolve in favor of Timothy Murphy, reported on a petition and passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance. Timothy Murphy.

Notice was received from the Senate that the House petitions of Otis A. Ruggles and others; of John Bertram and others, of Arthur Fuller and others; and Joseph Golden and others, — severally, to amend section 6, chapter 276 of the Acts of 1886, relative to pursuing fowl in a sailboat, had been referred by that branch to the next General Court, under the 12th Joint Rule. Pursuing fowl in sailboats.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence:—

Petition of George S. Hale and others in aid of the petition of Elmer H. Capen and others that the Governor be authorized to appoint a Solicitor-General for the Commonwealth, as provided for in the Constitution, and one or more Solicitors-General for each judicial district. To the joint committee on the Judiciary. Solicitor-general and assistant solicitors-general.

Petition of the town of Millbury for authority to take Singletary Pond and other sources within said town for a Water supply for Millbury.

water supply; also for authority to purchase water from the city of Worcester, and for leave to issue bonds to defray the cost of the same. To the committee on Water Supply, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Reports of Committees.

Appointment of attorney-general, district attorneys, sheriffs and other officers.

By Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, from the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending or altering the Constitution of the Commonwealth as to provide for the appointment instead of the election of the Attorney-General, district attorneys of the several districts, sheriffs, registers of probate, registers of deeds, clerks of courts and commissioners of insolvency, and to fix the tenure and pay of said officers by the Constitution. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

City of Waltham,—bonds for the construction of sewers.

By Mr. Rogers of Millbury, from the committee on Drainage, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition of the city of Waltham for authority to issue bonds for the purpose of constructing sewers, and recommending that the petition be referred to the committee on Cities. Read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Board of sewer commissioners in Northampton.

By Mr. Fisk of Boston, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, for want of proper notice, on the petition of Daniel W. Bond and another of Northampton for the establishment of a board of sewer commissioners in said city. Read and, on motion of Mr. Fisk, the rule was suspended, and the report with petition was referred to the committee on Cities, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct, and sent up for concurrence.

Middleborough Fire District.

By Mr. Backup of Boston, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the Middleborough Fire District to make an additional water loan.

Poor debtors.

By Mr. McCall of Winchester, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on two House orders, dated respectively January 16 and February 1, a Bill relating to the procedure in poor debtor matters.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve in favor of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Massachusetts
Charitable Eye
and Ear
Infirmary.

By Mr. Carney of Lawrence, from the committee on Printing, on an order, a Resolve relative to printing additional copies of the report of the State Board of Health on the protection of the purity of inland waters.

Extra copies of
report of State
Board of Health
on the protec-
tion of the
purity of inland
waters.

By Mr. Gunn of Boston, from the same committee, on an order, a Resolve relative to printing extra copies of the report of the Board of Registration in Dentistry.

Extra copies of
the report of
Board of Regis-
tration in
Dentistry.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.

Engrossed bills :

To change the name of the Trustees of Armenia College Funds ;

Bills enacted.

Requiring savings banks and institutions for savings to call in their books of deposit at stated intervals ;

To incorporate the Whitman Savings Bank ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To incorporate the trustees of the Delta Upsilon Society of Williams College ;

To authorize the town of Abington to make an additional water loan ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

An engrossed Resolve in favor of the trustees of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts (which originated in the Senate) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. McDonough of Boston, the Senate order instructing the Sergeant-at-Arms to obtain from the various committees of the General Court lists of matters assigned for hearing, and the dates for such assignments, and cause the same to be printed three times in each week for the information of members and parties interested therein, such printing to cease when the com-

Daily legisla-
tive bulletin.

mittee on Expediting Legislative Business shall deem the same no longer necessary or expedient, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. On further motion of Mr. McDonough, the order was amended by the substitution of the following order, and as amended was adopted, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment : —

Ordered, That the committee on Expediting Legislative Business be authorized to issue a daily legislative bulletin containing announcements of matters to be heard before committees and the dates assigned for their hearing, together with such other information as they may deem necessary to aid in the despatch of the business of the Legislature, and that the committee be authorized to employ clerical assistance in the preparation of such bulletin.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to extending the jurisdiction and powers of constables in the city of Boston in the service of civil process ; and

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Henry O. Downing for compensation for loss of time and for alleged false imprisonment and other injuries caused by the alleged illegal proceedings of the Grand Jury in Norfolk County ;

Were severally accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate ;

On an order relative to prohibiting the employment of women and minors upon premises where the sale of intoxicating liquors is the principal business ;

On an order relative to amending section 20 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes concerning notice to owners of buildings of convictions under the liquor law ;

On an order relative to making it a criminal offence to allow minors to loiter on the premises where intoxicating liquors are sold ;

On an order relative to amending section 24 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes relative to furnishing liquors to minors ; and

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on a petition of the city of Salem for legislation to enable said city to establish territorial limits outside of which no licenses shall be granted for the keeping or sale of spirituous or intoxicating liquors ; and

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Frank E. Howard, clerk of the Second District Court of Eastern Worcester, for an increase of salary ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to preventing the spread of, and exterminating, the disease among neat stock known as tuberculosis, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To change the name of the Parish of St. Anne's in the town of Chelmsford ;

To authorize the city of Taunton to raise money for the celebration of the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary of its settlement as a town ; and

To supply the town of Brookfield with pure water ; and
Resolves :

In favor of William Johnson ;

In favor of Henry Tredo ; and

Concerning the erection of a memorial to Crispus Attucks and others ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To establish the salary of the clerk of the District Court of East Norfolk ;

To incorporate the Ludlow Savings Bank ; and

To confirm the proceedings of a certain town meeting of the town of Attleborough (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading so that it read " Bill to confirm the proceedings of the town meeting of the town of Attleborough held on the thirtieth day of July in the year eighteen hundred and eighty-seven ") ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To change the name of the Grafton Centre Railroad Company ;

To authorize the Seamen's Widow and Orphan Association of Salem to hold additional real and personal property; and

Relating to the issue of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors to druggists and apothecaries (amended as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading by substituting a bill with the title "Bill to amend an act to limit and regulate the sale of intoxicating liquors by retail druggists and apothecaries"); and the

Resolve confirming the acts of James B. Carroll as a justice of the peace;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, the last-named bill being sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

The report of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to further protecting that class of operatives known as weavers from unjust and unnecessary deductions of wages for imperfect weaving, was further considered. After debate, the pending amendment, moved by Mr. McCooey of Blackstone, to substitute a "Bill to prohibit the imposition of fines or deductions of wages of employees engaged at weaving," was adopted by a vote of 95 to 85, and the bill was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The Bill to authorize savings banks and institutions for savings to invest in the bonds and notes of the Boston and Lowell Railroad Corporation, was read a third time and considered. After debate, amendments moved by Messrs. Milne of Fall River and Wyman of Hyde Park, were adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

At one minute past five o'clock, adjourned.

TUESDAY, February 14, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Motion to Reconsider.

Mr. Sullivan of Lawrence moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, passed to be engrossed the Bill to amend an act to limit and regulate the sale of intoxicating liquors by retail druggists and apothecaries, which motion was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester.

Sale of intoxicating liquors by retail druggists and apothecaries.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Dame of Newbury, petition of the Mayor and Aldermen and others of Newburyport in aid of the petitions for a general law for the appointment and tenure of office of police officers in cities. Referred to the committee on Cities.

Tenure of office of police officers in cities.

By Mr. Merrill of Quincy, petition of Gordon McKenzie and others of Quincy that the board of road commissioners or board of selectmen of said town have authority to straighten, widen or deepen any streams or brooks in said town, and to take land for such purpose. Referred to the committee on Drainage, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Streams and brooks in Quincy.

By Mr. Crowell of Dennis, petition of John S. Nicholson and others for amendment of section 1, chapter 308 of the laws of 1884, so that said law shall not apply to persons gunning for wild fowl on land of another between low and high-water mark. Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Trespass upon lands where notice is posted

By Mr. Gunn of Boston, petition of Frank E. Blake and others; and by Mr. Backup of Boston, petition of Arthur W. Tufts and others, — severally, for the appointment of a Solicitor-General and Assistant Solicitors-General.

Solicitor-general and assistant solicitors-general.

Severally referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Local liquor
option law.

By Mr. Story of Gloucester, petition of Edward H. Haskell and others for various amendments to the local option law. Referred to the committee on the Liquor Law.

William and
Mary Reardon.

By Mr. Leary of Boston, petition of William and Mary Reardon for State aid. Referred to the committee on Military Affairs, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Taunton
Lunatic
Hospital.

By Mr. Warden of Waltham, petition of the trustees of the Taunton Lunatic Hospital for an additional appropriation of \$1,500 to enable them to partition off portions of two wards, and for other purposes.

Massachusetts
State Firemen's
Association.

By Mr. Floyd of Winthrop, petition of the Fire Engineers of the town of Revere; and by Mr. Smith of Athol, petition of C. F. Richardson and others, and of Hose Company No. 2, — severally, in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others of Boston for the passage of an act appropriating \$10,000 annually to the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Water supply
for town of
Hanover.

By Mr. Hunt of Rockland, petition of Geo. W. Kelley and Edward P. Reed, representing the joint board of water commissioners of Rockland and Abington, for authority to supply the inhabitants of the town of Hanover with water. Referred to the committee on Water Supply, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Municipal
suffrage for
women.

By Mr. Wyman of Hyde Park, petition of Theodore D. Weld and others for the enactment of a law enabling women to vote in all town and municipal elections.

Women voting
on the liquor
license question.

By Mr. Pierce of Watertown, petition of S. A. Pratt and others that women qualified to vote for school committee be allowed to vote on the question of granting licenses to sell intoxicating liquors.

Severally referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Taken from the Table.

On motions of Mr. Miller of Chelsea the third annual report of the Board of Police for the city of Boston was taken from the table, and was referred to the committee on Cities. Board of Police of Boston.

On motions of Mr. Collison of Boston the annual report of the Attorney-General of the Commonwealth was taken from the table, and was referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary. Report of Attorney-General.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order was adopted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule:—

Ordered, That the committee on Banks and Banking consider the expediency of passing a law relative to the discharge of small loans and the redemption of the security given for such loans. Discharge of loans.

Reports:

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate:

On an order relative to amending clause 5, section 9, of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, so as to legalize the keeping of a public bar; and Public bars.

On an order relative to amending section 9 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, by striking out the words "shall not keep a public bar," and; Ibid.

Of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the law relating to the taxation of incomes by changing the amount to be exempt; also of making the income of all persons, from whatever source, taxable alike, instead of "from a profession, trade or employment," as at present; and Taxation of incomes.

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Boston Water Power Company to purchase the land and assets of the Brookline Land Company; Boston Water Power Company.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills:

Relative to the furnishing of certificates of death by physicians (reported on an order); and Furnishing of certificates of death by physicians.

Wilmington.

To include the town of Wilmington within the judicial district of the fourth district court of Eastern Middlesex (reported on a petition) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Avon.

The House Bill to incorporate the town of Avon, passed to be engrossed by the House, came down from the Senate, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Hall of Taunton, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence : —

Solicitor-general and assistant solicitors-general.

Petition of the executive committee of the Citizens' Law and Order League of Massachusetts in aid of the petition of Elmer H. Capen and others that the Governor be authorized to appoint a Solicitor-General for the Commonwealth, as provided for in the Constitution, and one or more Solicitors-General for each judicial district. To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Francis C. Welch.

Petition of Francis C. Welch for the confirmation of all acts done by him as a justice of the peace between Jan. 21, 1887, and Feb. 11, 1888. To the joint committee on the Judiciary, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Australian system of voting.]

Petition of Michael H. Roarke and others of Fall River for the establishment of the Australian system of voting, so that ballots may be printed at the public expense and distributed by a public officer. To the committee on Election Laws.

Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

Petitions of F. E. White and others, Engine Company No. 2, Hook and Ladder Company No. 1, Engine Company No. 1, Hook and Ladder Company No. 2, and members of the permanent force (all of Brockton), and of Hose Company No. 1 of Spencer, Hose Company No. 1 of Cohituate, Engine Company No. 1 of Sterling, H. M. Weston and others of Plymouth, Hose Company No. 1 of Chicopee Falls, — severally, in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others for an annual appropriation for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association, to aid firemen injured while in discharge of their duties.

Severally to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to enabling incorporated agricultural societies to take land for fair grounds and other purposes.

Incorporated agricultural societies to take land for fair grounds.

By Mr. Witt of Boston, from the committee on Banks and Banking, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the sixth clause of section 20 of chapter 116 of the Public Statutes, by providing that the principal therein referred to may be certain manufacturing corporations located in the New England States.

Investments of savings banks,—manufacturing corporations as principals on bonds.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Story of Gloucester, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of so much of the report of the Harbor and Land Commissioners as relates to "office accommodations," and recommending its reference to the committee on State House. Read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Report of Harbor and Land Commissioners.

By Mr. Pierce of Watertown, from the committee on Water Supply, leave to withdraw, for want of proper notice, on the petition of Orson G. Stanley and others to be incorporated as the Fairhaven Water Company. Read, and, on motions of Mr. Pierce, the rule was suspended, and the report was recommitted, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct, and sent up for concurrence.

Fairhaven Water Company.

By Mr. Colby of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill providing for a third assistant clerk of the Superior Court, civil session, of the county of Suffolk.

Third assistant clerk of the Superior Court, civil session, of the county of Suffolk.

By Mr. Wilde of Malden, from the committee on Education, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the Massachusetts Institute of Technology to hold additional property.

Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

By Mr. Atwood of Boston, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the Boston Lying-in-Hospital to hold additional real and personal estate.

Boston Lying-in-Hospital.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the trustees of St. Mark's School to hold additional real and personal estate.

Trustees of St. Mark's School at South-borough.

Second Universalist Society in Lowell.

By Mr. Colby of Boston, from the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, on a petition, a Bill to change the name of the Second Universalist Society in Lowell.

Monson Water Company.

By Mr. Clark of Huntington, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Monson Water Company.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Increase of the number of associate justices of the Superior Court.

By Mr. Allen of Woburn, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Bill to increase the number of associate justices of the Superior Court ought to pass.

Clerk hire in Insurance Department.

By Mr. Hartwell of Ayer, from the same committee, that the Bill to amend section five of chapter two hundred and fourteen of the acts of the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven, relating to clerk hire in the insurance department, ought to pass.

Appeals.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (introduced on leave in the House) to amend section 16 of chapter 150 of the Public Statutes relating to appeals ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Bill Enacted.

Bill enacted.

An engrossed Bill to establish the salary of the Secretary of the Civil Service Commission (which originated in the House), was passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders.

Clerks of police and district courts.

On motion of Mr. Gile of Worcester, the Bill relative to clerks of police and district courts was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, amended, on further motion of Mr. Gile, and, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending or altering the Constitution of the Commonwealth as to provide for the appointment instead of the election of the Attorney-General, district attorneys of the several districts, sheriffs, registers of probate,

registers of deeds, clerks of courts and commissioners of insolvency, and to fix the tenure and pay of said officers by the Constitution, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Education, leave to withdraw, on the petition of C. W. Emerson and others that the medical college of the American Health Society be empowered to confer medical degrees ;

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Michael O'Neil for State aid ; and

Of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George E. Messer for legislation to prevent accidents caused by runaway locomotives ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the Middleborough Fire District to make an additional water loan ; and the

Resolve in favor of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To establish the salary of the clerk of the police court of Haverhill ;

To change the name of the parish of St. Anne's in the town of Chelmsford ; and

To authorize the city of Taunton to raise money for the celebration of the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary of its settlement as a town ; and

Resolves :

In favor of William Johnson ; and

In favor of Henry Tredo ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolve concerning the erection of a memorial to Crispus Attucks and others was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Resolve to amend the Constitution relative to the qualification of voters for Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, Senators and Representatives, was further considered, the question being on agreeing to the article of amendment. On motion of Mr. Parkman of Boston it was voted that debate be closed at half-past four o'clock unless a vote

should be sooner reached, and on motion of Mr. Dresser of Medford it was voted that speeches be limited to ten minutes each.

After debate, the yeas and nays were taken on the question of agreeing to the article of amendment, and two-thirds of the members present and voting thereon not having voted in the affirmative the article of amendment was not agreed to. The vote was 104 yeas to 103 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs.		Messrs.	
Allen, Montressor T.		Griswold, Freeman C.	
Atherton, Horace H.		Hagerty, David J.	
Babbitt, Rollin H.		Haskell, Henry C.	
Backup, John		Hastings, William H.	
Bartlett, Joseph F.		Hayes, Elihu B.	
Bennett, Charles H.		Hayes, John E.	
Boardman, Francis		Hixon, William S.	
Bottum, John B.		Holbrook, John A.	
Brady, Peter J.		Hunt, George H.	
Breed, Arthur B.		Keane, Jeremiah J.	
Butler, William A.		Kendall, Horace M.	
Call, Charles A.		Kennedy, Patrick J.	
Calnan, Patrick J.		Kimball, Henry A.	
Carman, William A.		Knox, Charles H.	
Carney, Michael		Lally, James, Jr.	
Carroll, Peter T.		Leach, William T.	
Church, Moses D.		Leary, Edward J.	
Collison, Harvey N.		Lyons, Henry S.	
Conroy, James		McCarthy, Patrick	
Coveney, John W.		McCooley, Thomas	
Cronin, James M.		McDonald, Robert H.	
Dame, Albert L.		McDonough, John H.	
Delano, John W.		McEnany, Thomas O.	
Desmond, Jeremiah		McEttrick, Michael J.	
Doherty, John		Mellen, James H.	
Dolan, Bernard		Merrill, John F.	
Donovan, Edward J.		Milliken, Daniel L.	
Donovan, James		Monahan, William H.	
Dresser, Theodore P.		Noonan, Thomas L.	
Fales, Frank A.		Norwood, Caleb J.	
Farren, Thomas G.		O'Brien, Dennis J.	
Flynn, Edward J.		O'Mealey, John W.	
Flynn, Thomas J.		O'Neil, John W.	
Gagan, Edward		O'Neill, Thomas F.	
Garity, Michael		Parkman, Henry	
Gibson, George W.		Pratt, Harvey H.	
Gleason, Willard F.		Provin, William	

Messrs. Qua, Francis W.
 Quincy, Josiah
 Quinn, Andrew
 Quinn, Dennis J.
 Quinn, Philip H.
 Raymond Francis H.
 Raymond, Samuel M.
 Riddell, Henry
 Robinson, Ethan C.
 Russell, Alvin D.
 Seavey, Charles W.
 Shaw, Edward P.
 Sohler, William D.
 Story, Cyrus
 Sullivan, Michael F.

Messrs. Thompson, Albert G.
 Tompkins, Isaac B.
 Towne, Joseph L.
 Turner, Henry A.
 Upham, Samuel O.
 Wadlin, Horace G.
 Walworth, Arthur C.
 Wardwell, J. Otis
 Wharton, William F.
 Wilde, William A.
 Wilkinson, John W.
 Willis, Rufus H.
 Winchester, Reuben
 Woods, Frank F.
 Woodward, Charles F.

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen, John J.
 Blume, Andreas
 Brackett, Albert A.
 Brewer, Edward W.
 Brigham, Arthur A.
 Brooks, A. Olin
 Brown, John F.
 Burnham, William Howe
 Cannell, Joseph H.
 Champlin, Arthur B.
 Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.
 Clark, David H.
 Clark, Henry
 Clark, Schuyler
 Close, George
 Colby, John F.
 Conant, Charles W.
 Conwell, David
 Coolidge, George H.
 Crowell, Joshua
 Cutler, Samuel
 Davis, Edmund A.
 Dennis, George
 Dewey, Wilson
 Dexter, Solomon K.
 Eames, Harry M.
 Eldridge, Albert R.
 Ferry, William F.
 Fisk, Edward P.
 Floyd, David, 2d
 Fottler, Jacob

Messrs. Friend, Henry
 Frost, Henry
 Gile, William A.
 Gleason, Joseph H.
 Gracey, Samuel L.
 Greenwood, Morrill A.
 Grosvenor, Charles F.
 Gunn, Daniel
 Hall, Frederick S.
 Hartwell, Benjamin H.
 Hathaway, James A.
 Haynes, Henry D.
 Henry, Robert
 Hinchcliffe, William J.
 Hitchcock, Calvin
 Holman, Frank E.
 Hooper, George M.
 Jaques, Alden P.
 Kearn, George H.
 Kimball, John W.
 Lothrop, John Q. A.
 Lovell, Clarence P.
 Lyman, Payson W.
 Manning, Albert S.
 Manning, David, Jr.
 Martin, James P.
 Miller, Albert E.
 Miller, Lyman M.
 Milne, John C.
 Morey, George F.
 Morton, Harrison E.

Messrs. Nelson, Sidney T.

Pear, Isaac S.

Pierce, Charles Q.

Pinkerton, Alfred S.

Plaisted, John W.

Preble, William H.

Read, John

Richards, James H.

Robinson, J. Henry

Rogers, Joseph W.

Rogers, Samuel N.

Rogerson, William B.

Rounsevell, Arthur G.

Rugg, Charles P.

Russell, Irving L.

Sanford, Alpheus

Sanger, Chester F.

Shepard, Charles F.

Simonds, S. Dwight

Slocum, George W.

Smith, Sidney P.

Messrs. Southwick, Benjamin F.

Stimpson, Daniel P.

Stowe, Elijah B.

Taft, Robert L.

Temple, Albert H.

Thayer, Rufus A.

Thompson, A. Cranston

Trull, George W.

Tyler, Ansel P.

Vanderhoop, Edwin D.

Wales, Abijah T.

Warden, Erskine

Ware, M. Everett

Waters, Franklin L.

Whitcher, James E.

White, William L., Jr.

Wiley, Albert L.

Witt, Charles T.

Wright, Arthur

Wyman, Ferdinand A.

Yeas, 104; Nays, 103.

On this question, Messrs. Gordon of New Bedford, McCall of Winchester, Haggerty of Southbridge, Atwood of Boston, Carey of Dalton, Finney of Plymouth and Carpenter of Brookline, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired, respectively, with Messrs. Adams of Lowell, Barrett of Melrose, Fisher of Grafton, Perkins of Winchendon, Blake of Bedford, Hatch of Marshfield and Peirson of Pittsfield.

At eight minutes before five o'clock, adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, February 15, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report Received.

A communication was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, transmitting the eighteenth annual report of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor, which was referred to the committee on Labor and sent up for concurrence.

Report of the
Bureau of
Statistics of
Labor.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Story of Gloucester, petition of the Mayor of the city of Gloucester and others in aid of the petitions for a general law relative to the appointment and tenure of office of police officers in cities. Referred to the committee on Cities.

Tenure of office
of police officers
in cities.

By Mr. Vanderhoop of Gay Head, petition of Samuel Look and others of Tisbury in aid of the petition of Orson G. Stanley and others for an act of incorporation as the Vineyard Haven Gas and Electric Light Company.

Vineyard Haven
Gas and Electric
Light Company.

By Mr. Hill of Spencer, petition of Edward R. Wheeler and others that the Spencer Gas Company may be authorized to manufacture and sell water-gas.

Spencer Gas
Company.

Severally referred to the committee on Manufactures.

By Mr. Gibson of Chicopee, petition of John C. Glancy and others; by Mr. Shaw of Newburyport, petition of Steamer Company No. 1 of Newburyport; and by Mr. Holbrook of Weymouth, petition of John W. Burr and others, — severally, in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others of Boston for the passage of an act appropriating \$10,000 annually to the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

Massachusetts
State Firemen's
Association.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

By Mr. Noyes of Boston, petition of the South Boston Citizens' Association, for a general law or charter to some responsible party to build and maintain a system of elevated railways for Boston and vicinity. Referred to the committee on Street Railways.

Elevated
railways.

Division of
Medford.

By Mr. Crowell of Dennis, petition of Jason M. Hill and others in aid of the petition of C. M. Barrett and others that a part of the town of Medford may be set off and incorporated as the town of Brooks.

Annexation of
part of Hanson
to Whitman.

By Mr. Pratt of Abington, petition of Cyrus White and others for annexation of a portion of the town of Hanson to the town of Whitman.

Severally referred to the committee on Towns.

Women voting
on the liquor
question.

By Mr. Crowell of Dennis, petition of Lydia A. Allen and others; by Mr. Miller of Needham, petition of Alice M. Hicks and others; by Mr. Waters of Orange, petition of Wilson Mann and others; by Mr. Holbrook of Weymouth, petition of Rev. F. H. Palmer and others; and by Mr. Conant of Gardner, petition of D. C. Osborn and others, — severally, that women qualified to vote for school committee be allowed to vote on the question of granting licenses to sell intoxicating liquors

Severally referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Age of consent.

By Mr. Griswold of Greenfield, petition of L. S. Ball and 181 others of Shelburne; by Mr. Holbrook of Weymouth, petition of Rev. F. H. Palmer and others; by Mr. Waters of Orange, petition of Frank I. Fay and others; by Mr. Conant of Gardner, petition of C. P. Wood and others; by Mr. Davis of Somerset, petition of Frank P. Parker and others; and by Mr. Crowell of Dennis, petition of Alexander Baxter and others, — severally, for such amendment to chapter 305 of the Acts of 1886 as will raise the age of consent from thirteen to eighteen years.

Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Boundary line
between the city
of New Bedford
and the town of
Dartmouth.

By Mr. Rugg of New Bedford, petition of the mayor of New Bedford and others for a change in the boundary line between said city and the town of Dartmouth. Referred, under the 12th Joint Rule, to the next General Court, the House having refused to suspend the rule by a vote of 94 to 29.

Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. Dresser of Medford, was laid over at the request of Mr. Flynn of Boston : —

Investigation of
alleged corrup-
tion involved in
payment of poll
taxes.

Ordered, That a special committee of the House, to consist of five members, be appointed to investigate the

alleged corruption involved in the payment of poll taxes, by persons other than those upon whom they are assessed, and the effect of such payments of poll taxes upon elections in the cities and towns of this Commonwealth. Said committee is hereby empowered to send for persons and papers, to employ a stenographer and report in print not later than April 15, 1888.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Sullivan of Lawrence, the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Monday, Feb. 13, passed to be engrossed the Bill to amend an act to limit and regulate the sale of intoxicating liquors by retail druggists and apothecaries, was taken from the table. After debate the motion to reconsider was adopted by a vote of 93 to 78. Pending the recurring question on the engrossment of the bill, it was, on further motion of Mr. Sullivan, recommitted to the committee on the Liquor Law, with instructions to hear parties interested after due notice, and sent up for concurrence.

Sale of intoxicating liquors by retail druggists and apothecaries.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on Labor, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's Address as relates to labor, accepted by the Senate, was read, and, on motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, the rule was suspended, and the report was accepted, in concurrence.

Governor's Address, — labor.

Bills :

To amend an act to authorize the Connecticut River Railroad Company to unite and consolidate with the Ashuelot Railroad Company of New Hampshire ;

Connecticut River Railroad Company, — Ashuelot Railroad Company.

To amend an act to incorporate the Boston Tow-Boat Company ; and

Boston Tow-Boat Company.

To extend the charter of the Nahant Land Company ;

Nahant Land Company.

Severally reported on petitions and severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

The petition of the Boston Heating Company for leave to increase its capital stock was referred to the next General Court, under the 12th Joint Rule, the House having refused to concur with the Senate in the suspension of the rule.

Boston Heating Company.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence :

Massachusetts
State Firemen's
Association.

Petitions of Engine Company No. 3, and F. D. Gilmore and others of Ware; of Hose Company No. 1, and Robert P. Fernald and others of Franklin, and Hook and Ladder Company No. 1 of Cochrasset; of Engine Company No. 3, and John H. Watson and others of Beverly; and of Samuel H. Green and others, and A. K. Davis and others of Boston,—severally, in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others for an annual appropriation for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association, to aid firemen injured while in discharge of their duties

Severally to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Reports of Committees.

Rules for civil
business in mu-
nicipal, police
and district
courts.

By Mr. Pratt of Abington, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing by law rules for civil business in municipal, police and district courts.

Worcester,
Nashua and
Rochester
Railroad,—
savings bank
investments.

By Mr. Holbrook of Weymouth, from the committee on Banks and Banking, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Worcester, Nashua and Rochester Railroad Company that savings banks and institutions for savings be authorized to invest in the bonds and notes of said company.

Inspection of
fish.

By Mr. Dennis of Gloucester, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to abolishing the fish inspection laws.

Examining
boards of the
militia.

By Mr. Bartlett of Montague, from the committee on Military Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 53 of chapter 411 of the Acts of 1887, relating to examining boards of the militia.

Thomas Kelly.

By Mr. Martin of Lynn, from the same committee, leave to withdraw on the petition of Thomas Kelly for State Aid.

"Massachusetts
Red Book."

By Mr. Lally of Milford, from the committee on Printing, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to printing six hundred extra copies of the "Massachusetts Red Book" for the use of the Legislature.

Report of the
State Board of
Arbitration.

By Mr. Gunn of Boston, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the number of copies of the annual report of the State Board of Arbitration to be printed each year.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Wharton of Boston, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill to amend section ten of chapter two hundred and three of the Public Statutes fixing a minimum penalty for the crime of burglary.

Burglary.

By Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on an order, a Bill in relation to affidavits of notice of appointment and sales of real estate by administrators and executors.

Notice of appointment and sales of real estate by executors and administrators.

By Mr. Quincy of Quincy, from the committee on Labor, on so much of the report of the joint special committee of the Legislature of 1887 on the employment and schooling of children as relates to the employment of children, a Bill in relation to the employment of children.

Employment of children.

By Mr. Brackett of Milton, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the State Street Exchange.

State Street Exchange.

By Mr. Norwood of Hamilton, from the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the district court of Western Hampden.

Salary of the clerk of the District Court of Western Hampden.

By Mr. Merrill of Quincy, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition, a Bill to amend the charter of the Powow Hill Water Company.

Powow Hill Water Company.

By Mr. Pear of Cambridge, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Newton to make an additional water loan.

City of Newton, — water loan.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve relative to printing additional copies of the report of the State Board of Health on the protection of the purity of inland waters ought to pass.

Report of the State Board of Health on the protection of the purity of inland waters.

By Mr. Dexter of Lowell, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve in favor of Timothy Murphy ought to pass.

Timothy Murphy.

By Mr. Kimball of Northampton, from the same committee, that the Resolve relative to printing extra copies of the report of the Board of Registration in Dentistry ought to pass.

Report of the Board of Registration in Dentistry.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Colby of Boston, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill to increase the salaries of the justices of the Supreme Judicial Court, and the justices of the Superior Court.

Salaries of the justices of the Supreme Judicial and Superior courts.

Salary of the assistant register of probate and insolvency for the county of Worcester.

Report of the State Board of Arbitration.

Publication of certain special laws.

Printing of election laws.

By Mr. Haggerty of Southbridge, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on a petition, a Bill to establish the salary of the assistant register of probate and insolvency for the county of Worcester.

By Mr. Carney of Lawrence, from the committee on Printing, on an order, a Resolve providing for printing additional copies of the annual report of the State Board of Arbitration.

By Mr. Rounsevell of Freetown, from the same committee, on an order, a Resolve providing for the publication of certain special laws.

By Mr. Lally of Milford, from the same committee, on an order, a Resolve concerning the printing of laws relating to elections

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Discharged from the Orders.

Procedure in poor debtor matters.

On motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester, the Bill relating to the procedure in poor debtor matters was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to enabling incorporated agricultural societies to take land for fair grounds and other purposes, was accepted.

The report of the committee on Banks and Banking, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the sixth clause of section 20 of chapter 116 of the Public Statutes, by providing that the principal therein referred to may be certain manufacturing corporations located in the New England States, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports:

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate:

On an order relative to amending clause 5, section 9 of

chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, so as to legalize the keeping of a public bar ; and

On an order relative to amending section 9 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, by striking out the words " shall not keep a public bar, and " ;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Boston Water Power Company to purchase the land and assets of the Brookline Land Company ; and

Of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the law relating to the taxation of incomes by changing the amount to be exempt ; also of making the income of all persons, from whatever source, taxable alike, instead of " from a profession, trade or employment," as at present ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the city of Cambridge to borrow money in excess of the limit allowed by law ;

Concerning the records and annual returns of savings banks ;

Relating to the Board of Registrars of Voters in the city of Cambridge ;

To amend section 5, chapter 214 of the Acts of the year 1887, relating to clerk hire in the Insurance Department ;

To change the name of the Second Universalist Society in Lowell ;

To establish the salary of the sheriff of Middlesex County ;

To authorize the Massachusetts Institute of Technology to hold additional property ;

To authorize the Boston Lying-in Hospital to hold additional real and personal estate ;

To authorize the trustees of St. Mark's School to hold additional real and personal estate ;

To amend section 16 of chapter 150 of the Public Statutes relating to appeals ;

To increase the number of associate justices of the Superior Court ;

Relative to the furnishing of certificates of death by physicians ; and

To include the town of Wilmington within the judicial

district of the Fourth District Court of Eastern Middlesex ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Resolve in favor of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill in relation to the service of officers and members of the Law and Order League upon juries was read a second time and considered, and, after debate, was refused a third reading.

The Bill to exclude from juries in the trials of cases arising under the liquor laws all persons engaged in the manufacture or sale of intoxicating liquors, was read a second time and considered, and, after debate, was refused a third reading by a vote of 66 to 68.

At twenty-six minutes past five o'clock, adjourned.

THURSDAY, February 16, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reconsideration.

Mr. Backup of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, refused to concur with the Senate in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule on the petition of the Boston Heating Company for leave to increase its capital stock. The motion prevailed, and the question recurring on the suspension of the rule, it was suspended, and the petition was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Boston Heating Company.

Mr. Rugg of New Bedford moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, refused to suspend the 12th Joint Rule on the petition of the mayor of New Bedford and others for a change in the boundary line between said city and the town of Dartmouth. The motion prevailed, and the question recurring on the suspension of the rule, it was suspended, and the petition was referred to the committee on Towns and sent up for concurrence.

Boundary line between the city of New Bedford and the town of Dartmouth.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Holbrook of Weymouth, petition of Timothy Merrick, president of the Mechanics' Savings Bank of Holyoke, and other savings bank presidents, in aid of the petition of J. S. Bradley and others for legislation concerning the investments of savings banks. Referred to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Investments of savings banks.

By Mr. Wyman of Hyde Park, petition of Daniel T. Adams and others in favor of the Australian system of voting, so that ballots may be printed at the public expense and distributed by a public officer. Referred to the committee on Election Laws.

Australian system of voting.

By Mr. Milliken of Malden, petition of the Massachusetts Fish and Game Protective Association in relation to the snaring of ruffed grouse, or partridge. Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Snaring of ruffed grouse, or partridge.

Massachusetts
State Firemen's
Association.

By Mr. Finney of Plymouth, petition of Enterprise Company No. 1; and by Mr. Warden of Waltham, petition of the Mayor, Board of Aldermen, and 425 legal voters of Waltham, — severally, in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others of Boston for the passage of an act appropriating \$10,000 annually to the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Ware.

By Mr. Bottum of Northampton, petition of the selectmen of Ware for legislation to legalize the proceedings of the annual State election, Nov. 2, 1886, and of the annual town meeting held March 8, 1887. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Orders.

The following order, offered by Mr. Hall, of Taunton, was adopted, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence : —

Attendance of
convicts at
funerals of near
relatives.

Ordered, That the committee on Prisons consider the expediency of legislation that will permit convicts to attend the funeral services of those near in relationship under such rules and restrictions as the Governor and Council or some other proper authority may fix.

The following order, offered by Mr. Parkman of Boston, was referred to the joint committee on Rules, on motion of Mr. Wharton of Boston, and sent up for concurrence in the reference : —

12th Joint Rule,
— committee on
Expediting
Legislative
Business.

Ordered, That all matters hereafter presented to this Legislature which require the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule be referred to the committee on Expediting Legislative Business prior to the suspension, who shall hear the party introducing the matter and others who may be interested therein, and report whether the reasons presented for the suspension of the rule are proper and sufficient.

Investigation of
alleged corrup-
tion in the
payment of poll
taxes.

The order laid over from yesterday relative to the appointment of a special committee of the House, to consist of five members, to investigate the alleged corruption involved in the payment of poll taxes, by persons other

than those upon whom they are assessed, and the effect of such payments of poll taxes upon elections in the cities and towns of this Commonwealth, was considered.

Mr. Walworth of Newton moved that the order be referred to the committee on Election Laws, which motion was lost.

Mr. Flynn of Boston moved to amend the order by inserting after the word "Commonwealth" the following words: "Also to investigate the use and expenditure of money by political parties, or the officers thereof; also, the expenditure of money by candidates for office and their agents, for political purposes and in elections, State, national and municipal, since the year 1880."

The amendment was rejected.

After debate, on the question of the adoption of the order, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Dresser of Medford, and, the roll being called, the order was rejected by a vote of 77 yeas to 128 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs.	Yeas.
Adams, Charles E.	Gile, William A.
Atherton, Horace H.	Griswold, Freeman C.
Babbitt, Rollin H.	Grosvenor, Charles F.
Bartlett, Joseph F.	Haskell, Henry C.
Boardman, Francis	Hastings, William H.
Brady, Peter J.	Hayes, Elihu B.
Brigham, Arthur A.	Hixon, William S.
Burnham, William Howe	Holbrook, John A.
Carman, William A.	Jaques, Alden P.
Carney, Michael	Keane, Jeremiah J.
Carroll, Peter T.	Kearn, George H.
Church, Moses D.	Kendall, Horace M.
Collison, Harvey N.	Kennedy, Patrick J.
Conroy, James	Lally, James, Jr.
Coveney, John W.	Leary, Edward J.
Cronin, James M.	Lyman, Payson W.
Dame, Albert L.	McCarthy, Patrick
Dame, Luther	McCooley, Thomas
Dewey, Wilson	McDonald, Robert H.
Dolan, Bernard	McDonough, John H.
Dresser, Theodore P.	McEttrick, Michael J.
Driscoll, John	Merrill, John F.
Ferry, William F.	Miller, Albert E.
Finney, Elkanah	Milliken, Daniel L.
Flynn, Edward J.	Monahan, William H.
Garity, Michael	Morin, John M.
Gibson, George W.	Noonan, Thomas L.

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Messrs. Norwood, Caleb J.
 O'Neill, Thomas F.
 Parkman, Henry
 Pear, Isaac S.
 Plaisted, John W.
 Pratt, Harvey H.
 Quinn, Andrew
 Quinn, Dennis J.
 Quinn, Philip H.
 Robinson, Ethan C.
 Rounsevell, Arthur G.
 Sanger, Chester F.

Messrs. Shepard, Charles F.
 Sohler, William D.
 Stimpson, Daniel P.
 Stowe, Elijah B.
 Story, Cyrus
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 Thompson, Albert G.
 Towne, Joseph L.
 Walworth, Arthur C.
 Wilkinson, John W.
 Winthrop, John

NATS.

Messrs. Allen, John J.
 Allen, Montessor T.
 Atwood, Harrison H.
 Backup, John
 Bennett, Charles H.
 Bixby, Charles C.
 Blake, Edwin H.
 Blume, Andreas
 Bottum, John B.
 Brackett, Albert A.
 Breed, Arthur B.
 Brooks, A. Olin
 Brown, John F.
 Butler, William A.
 Call, Charles A.
 Calnan, Patrick J.
 Cannell, Joseph H.
 Carey, William H.
 Champlin, Arthur B.
 Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.
 Clark, David H.
 Clark, Henry
 Clark, Schuyler
 Close, George
 Conant, Charles W.
 Conwell, David
 Coolidge, George H.
 Crowell, Joshua
 Delano, John W.
 Dennis, George
 Desmond, Jeremiah
 Dexter, Solomon K.
 Donovan, Edward J.
 Donovan, James
 Eames, Harry M.

Messrs. Eldridge, Albert R.
 Fales, Frank A.
 Fisher, Albert L.
 Fisk, Edward P.
 Floyd, David, 2d
 Flynn, Thomas J.
 Friend, Henry
 Frost, Henry
 Gagan, Edward
 Gleason, Joseph H.
 Gleason, Willard F.
 Gordon, William, Jr.
 Goss, Charles
 Gracey, Samuel L.
 Greenwood, Morrill A.
 Gunn, Daniel
 Hall, Frederick S.
 Hartwell, Benjamin H.
 Hatch, Franklin W.
 Hathaway, James A.
 Hayes, John E.
 Haynes, Henry D.
 Henry, Robert
 Hinchcliffe, William J.
 Hitchcock, Calvin
 Holman, Frank E.
 Hooper, George M.
 Hunt, George H.
 Kimball, John W.
 Knox, Charles H.
 Leach, William T.
 Lothrop, J. Q. A.
 Lovell, Clarence P.
 Lyons, Henry S.
 Manning, Albert S.

Messrs. Manning, David, Jr.	Messrs. Smith, Sidney P.
Martin, James P.	Southwick, Benjamin F.
Mellen, James H.	Spring, Charles E.
Miller, Lyman M.	Sullivan, Thomas F.
Milne, John C.	Symonds, Charles H.
Morey, George F.	Taft, Robert L.
Nelson, Sidney T.	Temple, Albert H.
Perry, George R.	Thayer, Rufus A.
Pierce, Charles Q.	Thompson, A. Cranston
Poore, William H.	Trull, George W.
Preble, William H.	Turner, Henry A.
Provin, William	Tyler, Ansel P.
Qua, Francis W.	Upham, Samuel O.
Quincy, Josiah	Vanderhoop, Edwin D.
Raymond, Francis H.	Wadlin, Horace G.
Raymond, Samuel M.	Wales, Abijah T.
Read, John	Warden, Erskine
Richards, James H.	Wardwell, J. Otis
Riddell, Henry	Waters, Franklin L.
Robinson, J. Henry	Wharton, William F.
Rogers, Samuel N.	White, William L., Jr.
Rogerson, Wm. B.	Wiley, Albert L.
Rugg, Charles P.	Willis, Rufus H.
Russell, Alvin D.	Winchester, Reuben
Russell, Irving L.	Witt, Charles T.
Sanford, Alpheus	Woods, Frank F.
Seavey, Charles W.	Woodward, Charles F.
Simonds, S. Dwight	Wright, Arthur
Slocum, George W.	Wyman, Ferdinand A.

Yeas, 77 ; Nays, 128.

On this question Mr. Hagerty of Boston, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, was paired with Mr. McEnany of Boston.

Papers from the Senate.

The Senate order relative to the Sergeant-at-Arms printing three times in each week a list of matters before committees, adopted, in concurrence, by the House, with an amendment, and sent up for concurrence, came down from the Senate with the endorsement that the Senate non-concurred. On motion of Mr. McDonough of Boston, the House insisted on its amendment, and asked for a committee of conference, and Messrs. McDonough of Boston, Wadlin of Reading and Wardwell of Haverhill were appointed the committee, and the order was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Legislative
bulletin.

Bills :

Salaries of the
county com-
missioners of
Franklin
County.

Free public
libraries in
towns.

To establish the salaries of the county commissioners of Franklin County (reported on a petition) ; and

Concerning the election and the powers and duties of trustees of free public libraries, or of free public libraries and reading-rooms, in towns (reported on an order) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Benjamin
Cushing.

A Bill concerning the salary of the late Benjamin Cushing, a principal assessor of the city of Boston, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Examination of
savings banks.

The Bill to amend section 3 of chapter 116 of the Public Statutes relating to the annual examination of savings banks, passed to be engrossed by the House, came down from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Milne of Fall River, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

City Library of
Lowell.

The petition of the mayor of the city of Lowell for an act incorporating the Board of Trustees of the City Library of Lowell, came down for concurrence in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule. Mr. Parkman of Boston moved that the petition be laid upon the table. Mr. Adams of Lowell raised the point of order that the motion was not in order.

Point of order.

The Speaker declared the point well taken, stating that the only question before the House was on concurring with the Senate in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and that until that question was determined no motion was in order, the petition not being before the House for any other action, being excluded by the operation of said rule. After debate, the House refused to suspend the rule, by a vote of 143 to 50, and the petition was referred to the next General Court.

Massachusetts
State Firemen's
Association.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence :—
Petitions of Fire Engineers, Engine Company No. 1, Hose Company No. 1, Hose Company No. 2, Hook and Ladder Company No. 1, and H. N. Slater, Jr., and others, all of Webster, — severally, in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others for an annual appropria-

tion for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association, to aid firemen injured while in discharge of their duties.

Severally to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. O'Neil of Boston, from the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring registrars of voters of Boston to post voting lists in at least three conspicuous places in every precinct of every ward of said city.

Registrars of voters of Boston, — voting lists.

By Mr. Hunt of Rockland, from the same committee, on an order relative to amending so much of section 5 of chapter 262 of the Acts of 1886 as relates to the hour of meeting of the city, town and ward clerks provided for in said section.

Hour of meeting of city, town and ward clerks.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Morey of Lowell, from the committee on Manufactures, that the Bill (introduced on leave in the House) to provide for the appointment of a commissioner of manufacturing corporations ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

Commissioner of manufacturing corporations.

By Mr. Haskell of Deerfield, from the committee on Agriculture, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Spencer Farmers' and Mechanics' Association.

Spencer Farmers' and Mechanics' Association.

By Mr. Clark of Wilbraham, from the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the district court of Northern Berkshire.

Salary of the clerk of the district court of Northern Berkshire.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.

Engrossed bills :

To amend section twenty-four of chapter one hundred and ninety-two of the Public Statutes relating to the enforcement of certain liens upon personal property ;

Bills enacted.

To authorize the Boston and Providence Railroad Corporation to lease its railroad to the Old Colony Railroad Company ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To change the name of the Grafton Centre Railroad Company ;

To authorize the Seamen's Widow and Orphan Association of Salem to hold additional real and personal property ;

In relation to the Nantasket Beach Railroad ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed.

An engrossed Resolve confirming the acts of James B. Carroll as a justice of the peace (which originated in the Senate) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

The Chair.

The chair.

The Speaker announced that during his absence tomorrow Mr. Gile of Worcester would occupy the chair.

Reconsideration.

Exclusion of liquor dealers from juries in the trials of cases arising under the liquor laws.

Mr. Manning of Worcester moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, refused to order to a third reading the Bill to exclude from juries in the trials of cases arising under the liquor laws all persons engaged in the manufacture or sale of intoxicating liquors. After debate, the yeas and nays were ordered on this question, at the request of Mr. Gracy of Salem, and, the roll being called, the motion to reconsider was carried by a vote of 92 yeas to 91 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, Charles E.	Messrs. Coolidge, George H.
Allen, John J.	Crowell, Joshua
Atherton, Horace H.	Dennis, George
Babbitt, Rollin H.	Dexter, Solomon K.
Bartlett, Joseph F.	Eames, Harry M.
Brewer, Edward W.	Eldridge, Albert R.
Brigham, Arthur A.	Fales, Frank A.
Burnham, William Howe	Ferry, William F.
Butler, William A.	Fisher, Albert L.
Cannell, Joseph H.	Floyd, David, 2d
Champlin, Arthur B.	Frost, Henry
Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.	Gile, William A.
Clark, David H.	Gleason, Joseph H.
Clark, Schuyler	Gleason, Willard F.
Close, George	Gracey, Samuel L.
Conant, Charles W.	Greenwood, Morrill A.
Couwell, David	Grosvenor, Charles F.

Messrs. Gunn, Daniel
Hartwell, Benjamin H.
Hatch, Franklin W.
Hathaway, James A.
Haynes, Henry D.
Henry, Robert
Hinchcliffe, William J.
Hitchcock, Calvin
Hixon, William S.
Holman, Frank E.
Hunt, George H.
Lyman, Payson W.
Manning, Albert S.
Manning, David, Jr.
Martin, James P.
McCall, Samuel W.
Merrill, John F.
Miller, Albert E.
Miller, Lyman M.
Milliken, Daniel L.
Milne, John C.
Morey, George F.
Nelson, Sidney T.
Pear, Isaac S.
Pierce, Charles Q.
Plaisted, John W.
Raymond, Francis H.
Read, John
Richards, James H.

Messrs. Robinson, J. Henry
Rogerson, William B.
Russell, Alvin D.
Russell, Irving L.
Sanford, Alpheus
Sanger, Chester F.
Seavey, Charles W.
Shepard, Charles F.
Slocum, George W.
Smith, Sidney P.
Southwick, Benjamin F.
Stowe, Elijah B.
Story, Cyrus
Taft, Robert L.
Trull, George W.
Turner, Henry A.
Tyler, Ansel P.
Vanderhoop, Edwin D.
Wadlin, Horace G.
Wales, Abijah T.
Walworth, Arthur C.
Warden, Erskine
Waters, Franklin L.
Wiley, Albert L.
Willis, Rufus H.
Witt, Charles T.
Woodward, Charles F.
Wright, Arthur
Wyman, Ferdinand A.

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen, Montessor T.
Backup, John
Bennett, Charles H.
Blake, Edwin H.
Boardman, Francis
Bottum, John B.
Brackett, Albert A.
Brady, Peter J.
Brooks, A. Olin
Brown, John F.
Call, Charles A.
Calnan, Patrick J.
Carey, William H.
Carman, William A.
Carney, Michael
Carroll, Peter T.
Church, Moses D.
Clark, Henry

Messrs. Collison, Harvey N.
Conroy, James
Coveney, John W.
Cronin, James M.
Dame, Albert L.
Desmond, Jeremiah
Dewey, Wilson
Donovan, Edward J.
Donovan, James
Finniey, Elkanah
Fisk, Edward P.
Flynn, Edward J.
Flynn, Thomas J.
Fottler, Jacob
Gagan, Edward
Garity, Michael
Gibson, George W.
Hagerty, David J.

Messrs. Hall, Frederick S.	Messrs. Preble, William H.
Hastings, William H.	Provin, William
Hayes, Elihu B.	Qua, Francis W.
Hayes, John E.	Quincy, Josiah
Holbrook, John A.	Quinn, Andrew
Hooper, George M.	Quinn, Dennis J.
Keane, Jeremiah J.	Quinn, Philip H.
Kearn, George H.	Raymond, Samuel M.
Kendall, Horace M.	Riddell, Henry
Kennedy, Patrick J.	Robinson, Ethan C.
Kimball, John W.	Rounsevell, Arthur G.
Knox, Charles H.	Rugg, Charles P.
Lally, James, Jr.	Sohier, William D.
Leach, William T.	Stimpson, Daniel P.
Leary, Edward J.	Sullivan, Michael F.
Lothrop, J. Q. A.	Sullivan, Thomas F.
Lyons, Henry S.	Symonds, Charles H.
Mc'ooey, Thomas	Thayer, Rufus A.
McDonald, Robert H.	Thompson, A. Cranston
McEttrick, Michael J.	Towne, Joseph L.
Monahan, William H.	Upham, Samuel O.
Morin, John M.	Wardwell, J. Otis
Noonan, Thomas L.	Wharton, William F.
Norwood, Caleb J.	Wilkinson, John W.
O'Neill, Thomas F.	Winchester, Reuben
Parkman, Henry	Winthrop, John
Poore, William H.	Woods, Frank F.
Pratt, Harvey H.	

Yeas, 92 ; Nays, 91.

On this question Messrs. Breed of Lynn, Dresser of Medford, Wilde of Malden, Whitcher of Stoneham, McCarthy of Brockton, Jaques of Haverhill, Temple of Colrain, Perkins of Winchendon and Rogers of Orleans, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired, respectively, with Messrs. Blume of Boston, McDonough of Boston, Gordon of New Bedford, Mellen of Worcester, McEnany of Boston, White of Taunton, Griswold of Greenfield, Haskell of Deerfield and Driscoll of Lynn.

Pending the recurring question on ordering the bill to a third reading, Mr. Fisk of Boston moved that the bill be recommitted to the committee on the Liquor Law. At the request of Mr. McDonough of Boston, the yeas and nays were ordered on this question, and, the roll being called, the motion prevailed, and the bill was recommitted by a vote of 88 yeas to 52 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen, John J.
 Atherton, Horace H.
 Babbitt, Rollin H.
 Backup, John
 Bartlett, Joseph F.
 Bottum, John B.
 Breed, Arthur B.
 Brewer, Edward W.
 Brigham, Arthur A.
 Brooks, A. Olin
 Brown, John F.
 Cannell, Joseph H.
 Champlin, Arthur B.
 Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.
 Clark, David H.
 Clark, Henry
 Clark, Schuyler
 Close, George
 Conant, Charles W.
 Conwell, David
 Coolidge, George H.
 Crowell, Joshua,
 Dennis, George
 Dewey, Wilson
 Dexter, Solomon K.
 Driscoll, John
 Eames, Harry M.
 Eldridge, Albert R.
 Fales, Frank A.
 Ferry, William F.
 Fisk, Edward P.
 Floyd, David, 2d
 Fottler, Jacob
 Frost, Henry
 Gile, William A.
 Gleason, Joseph H.
 Gracey, Samuel L.
 Gunn, Daniel
 Hartwell, Benjamin H.
 Hathaway, James A.
 Haynes, Henry D.
 Henry, Robert
 Hixon, William S.
 Holbrook, John A.

Messrs. Holman, Frank E.
 Hooper, George M.
 Jaques, Alden P.
 Kimball, John W.
 Lyman, Payson W.
 Manning, Albert S.
 Manning, David, Jr.
 Martin, James P.
 Miller, Albert E.
 Miller, Lyman M.
 Milliken, Daniel L.
 Milne, John C.
 Morey, George F.
 Parkman, Henry
 Pear, Isaac S.
 Plaisted, John W.
 Preble, William H.
 Raymond, Francis H.
 Read, John
 Richards, James H.
 Robinson, J. Henry
 Russell, Irving L.
 Sanford, Alpheus
 Sanger, Chester F.
 Shepard, Charles F.
 Slocum, George W.
 Smith, Sidney P.
 Sohler, William D.
 Southwick, Benjamin F.
 Stimpson, Daniel P.
 Story, Cyrus
 Symonds, Charles H.
 Taft, Robert L.
 Trull, George W.
 Vanderhoop, Edwin D.
 Wadlin, Horace G.
 Warden, Erskine
 Wardwell, J. Otis
 Waters, Franklin L.
 Wilkinson, John W.
 Witt, Charles T.
 Woodward, Charles F.
 Wright, Arthur
 Wyman, Ferdinand A.

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen, Montessor T.	Messrs. Kendall, Horace M.
Atwood, Harrison H.	Kennedy, Patrick J.
Bennett, Charles H.	Knox, Charles H.
Blake, Edwin H.	Leary, Edward J.
Brady, Peter J.	Lothrop, J. Q. A.
Call, Charles A.	Lyons, Henry S.
Calnan, Patrick J.	McCooley, Thomas
Carey, William H.	McDonald, Robert H.
Carman, William A.	McEttrick, Michael J.
Church, Moses D.	Monahan, William H.
Collison, Harvey N.	Morin, John M.
Conroy, James	Noonan, Thomas L.
Coveney, John W.	Pratt, Harvey H.
Dame, Albert L.	Provin, William
Desmond, Jeremiah	Quincy, Josiah
Dolan, Bernard	Quinn, Andrew
Donovan, Edward J.	Quinn, Dennis J.
Donovan, James	Quinn, Philip H.
Flynn, Thomas J.	Raymond, Samuel M.
Gagan, Edward	Riddell, Henry
Garity, Michael	Robinson, Ethan C.
Hagerty, David J.	Sullivan, Thomas F.
Hastings, William H.	Towne, Joseph L.
Hayes, John E.	Upham, Samuel O.
Keane, Jeremiah J.	Wharton, William F.
Kearn, George H.	Winthrop, John

Yeas, 88 ; Nays, 52.

On this question Messrs. Dresser of Medford, Wilde of Malden, McCall of Winchester, Hayes of Lynn, McCarthy of Brockton, Temple of Colrain, Burnham of Essex, Hitchcock of Ware, Perkins of Winchendon, Gleason of Holbrook, Pierce of Watertown, Willis of New Bedford and Seavey of Medway, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired, respectively, with Messrs. McDonough of Boston, Gordon of New Bedford, Flynn of Boston, Sullivan of Lawrence, McEnany of Boston, Griswold of Greenfield, O'Neill of Sudbury, Finney of Plymouth, Haskell of Deerfield, Carroll of Worcester, Winchester of Holyoke, Cronin of Worcester and Lally of Milford.

At twenty minutes before six o'clock, adjourned.

FRIDAY, February 17, 1888.

Met according to adjournment, Mr. Gile of Worcester in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Payson W. Lyman of Belchertown, a member of the House.

Motion to Reconsider.

Mr. Adams of Lowell moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, refused to concur with the Senate in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, on the petition of the mayor of the city of Lowell for an act incorporating the Board of Trustees of the City Library of Lowell, which motion was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill.

City Library of Lowell.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Breed of Lynn, petition of W. Watkins and others in favor of the Australian system of voting, so that ballots may be printed at the public expense and distributed by a public officer. Referred to the committee on Election Laws.

Australian system of voting.

By Mr. Bottum of Northampton, petition of the Thirty-first Regiment Massachusetts Infantry Association for leave to take the old Western Bay State colors from the State House. Referred to the committee on Military Affairs, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Removal of the Western Bay State colors from the State House.

By Mr. Lolly of Milford, petition of M. W. Edwards and others; and by Mr. Woodward of Wakefield, petition of Frank E. Parker and others, — severally, in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others of Boston for the passage of an act appropriating \$10,000 annually to the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

By Mr. Milliken of Malden, petition of Marcellus Coggan and 42 other officials and ex-officials of Malden for the modification of the laws excluding unvaccinated children from the public schools. Referred to the committee on Public Health.

Excluding unvaccinated children from public schools.

Municipal
suffrage for
women.

By Mr. Allen of Woburn, petition of Emma P. Kelley and others for the enactment of a law enabling women to vote in all town and municipal elections.

Women voting
on the liquor
license question.

By Mr. Wilkinson of Cambridge, petition of A. P. Peabody and others that women qualified to vote for school committee be allowed to vote on the question of granting licenses to sell intoxicating liquors.

Severally referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, was adopted, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule : —

Publication and
record of notices
of sale by mort-
gagees of real
estate

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of a more effectual publication and record of notices of sale by mortgagees of real estate.

Papers from the Senate.

Manual of the
General Court.

A Bill concerning the publication and distribution of the Manual for the General Court, reported on an order and passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

South Scituate.

The Bill to authorize the town of South Scituate to change its name, passed to be engrossed by the House, came down from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment. Placed in the orders of the day for Monday, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendment.

Drainage of the
Mystic, Black-
stone and
Charles Rivers.

So much of the report of the commission appointed to consider a general system of drainage for the valleys of Mystic, Blackstone and Charles rivers as has not been already reported upon (taken from the Senate files of last year), was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Drainage.

The petition of the selectmen of Ware for legislation to legalize the proceedings of the annual State election, Nov. 2, 1886, and of the annual town meeting held March 8, 1887, came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence : —

Petition of Charles A. L. King and others of Somerville for the establishment of the Australian system of voting, so that ballots may be printed at the public expense and distributed by a public officer. To the committee on Election Laws.

Australian system of voting.

Petition of the town of Wareham for legislation in relation to building and maintaining a bridge across Swift's Narrows (taken from the files of last year). To the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Bridge across Swift's Narrows.

Petitions of Engine Company No. 1 of Cohasset; Engine Company No. 1 and Fire Engineers of Groton; the mayor of Brockton and others; O. M. Draper and others of North Attleborough; and of Alfred E. Cox and others and Fire Engineers of Malden. — severally, in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others for an annual appropriation for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association, to aid firemen injured while in discharge of their duties.

Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

Severally to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Smith of Athol, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing for a compilation and codification of the laws relating to the powers and duties of town officers.

Codification of laws relating to duties and powers of selectmen and other town officers.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to giving further jurisdiction to justices of the peace not living within the judicial district of a police or district court.

Issuing of criminal complaints by justices of the peace.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to recording conditional contracts for personal property.

Recording conditional contracts for personal property.

By Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to further legislation to prevent unlawful gaming.

Unlawful gaming.

By Mr. Boardman of Marblehead, from the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of William Gibbons of Natick, Company F, 19th Massachusetts Volunteers, for money alleged to be due him from the State.

William Gibbons.

Limiting the carrying capacity of street cars.

By Mr. Woodward of Wakefield, from the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to prohibiting the crowding of horse cars, and limiting the carrying capacity of each street car to forty-four persons.

Annexation of a part of Watertown to Newton.

By Mr. Qua of Lowell, from the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, on the petition of J. W. Tuttle and others that a part of the town of Watertown may be annexed to the city of Newton.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Workingmen's Building Association.

By Mr. Brooks of Springfield, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Workingmen's Building Association.

Massachusetts College of Pharmacy.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to amend the charter of the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy.

Oxford Agricultural Society.

By Mr. Allen of Auburn, from the committee on Agriculture, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Oxford Agricultural Society.

Water supply of Peabody.

By Mr. Backup of Boston, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition (recommitted), a Bill to authorize the town of Peabody to increase and preserve its water supply.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Additional appropriation for the Insurance Department.

By Mr. Sohier of Beverly, from the committee on Public Service, on the communication from the Insurance Commissioner, asking for an increased appropriation for clerical assistance in his department, a Bill making an additional appropriation for the Insurance Department. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Report of the Board of Police for the city of Boston.

By Mr. Parkman of Boston, from the committee on Cities, in part, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of so much of the third annual report of the Board of Police for the city of Boston as relates to amendment of chapter 320 of the Acts of 1884, and recommending its reference to the committee on Public Service; also, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of so much of said report as relates to the appointment of a justice for down-town police stations, and the appointment of a public prosecutor; and so much as recommends that provision be made for punishing any person who may unlawfully open an alarm-box or cut a

police-alarm telegraph wire, and recommending that they severally be referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary. Read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

To incorporate the town of Avon ;

To establish the salary of the Justice of the Central District Court of Worcester ; Bills enacted.

Relating to sentences of imprisonment in the Massachusetts Reformatory ; and

Making an appropriation for continuing the preparation for publication and for the publication of the Provincial Laws ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

Providing for printing fifteen thousand extra copies of the report of the Massachusetts Agricultural Experiment Station ; Resolves passed.

Providing for printing three thousand extra copies of the thirty-fifth annual report of the secretary of the State Board of Agriculture ; and

In favor of the Soldiers' Messenger Corps ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

Concerning the erection of a memorial to Crispus Attucks and others (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motions of Mr. Hagerty of Boston, the report of the committee on Military Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 53 of chapter 411 of the Acts of 1887 relating to examining boards of the militia, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table. Examining boards of the militia.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing by law rules for civil business in municipal, police and district courts, was accepted. Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate ;

On an order relative to requiring registrars of voters of Boston to post voting lists in at least three conspicuous places in every precinct of every ward of said city ; and

On an order relative to so amending section 5, chapter 262 of the Acts of 1886, as relates to the hour of meeting of the city, town and ward clerks provided for in said section ;

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to abolishing the fish inspection laws ;

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Thomas Kelly for State aid ; and

Of the committee on Printing, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to printing six hundred extra copies of the " Massachusetts Red Book " for the use of the Legislature ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

Providing for a third assistant clerk of the Superior Court, civil session, of the county of Suffolk ;

To authorize the city of Newton to make an additional water loan ;

To amend the charter of the Powow Hill Water Company ;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the district court of Western Hampden ;

To incorporate the State Street Exchange ;

To amend an act to authorize the Connecticut River Railroad Company to unite and consolidate with the Ashuelot Railroad Company of New Hampshire ;

To amend an act to incorporate the Boston Tow-Boat Company ;

To incorporate the Spencer Farmers' and Mechanics' Association ;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the district court of Northern Berkshire ; and

To establish the salaries of the county commissioners of Franklin County ; and

Resolves :

Relative to printing additional copies of the report of the State Board of Health on the protection of the purity of inland waters ;

Relative to printing extra copies of the report of the Board of Registration in Dentistry ; and

In favor of Timothy Murphy ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To supply the town of Brookfield with pure water ;

To authorize the Middleborough Fire District to make an additional water loan ;

Relating to the Board of Registrars of Voters in the city of Cambridge ;

To amend section 5, chapter 214 of the Acts of the year 1887, relating to clerical assistance in the Insurance Department (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

To change the name of the Second Universalist Society in Lowell ;

To authorize the Massachusetts Institute of Technology to hold additional real and personal estate (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

To authorize the Boston Lying-in Hospital to hold additional real and personal estate ;

To authorize the trustees of St. Mark's School to hold additional real and personal estate ;

To amend section 16 of chapter 150 of the Public Statutes relating to appeals ;

To authorize the city of Cambridge to borrow money in excess of the limit allowed by law ; and

To establish the salary of the sheriff of the county of Middlesex ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To increase the number of associate justices of the Superior Court ; and

To include the town of Wilmington within the judicial district of the Fourth District Court of Eastern Middlesex ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill (on leave) to provide for the appointment of a commissioner of manufacturing corporations was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Manufactures, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate.

The Bill authorizing the county commissioners of Essex County to reimburse the city of Lawrence for a portion of the expense of rebuilding the Lawrence and Andover bridges in said city, was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. An amendment, moved by Mr. Hayes of Lynn, was amended, as moved by Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, and, as amended, was adopted. After debate, the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

At eight minutes before three o'clock, adjourned.

MONDAY, February 20, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Private Schools.

A communication was received from the Secretary of the State Board of Education in answer to an order of the House of Representatives adopted January 12, 1888, giving certain information in relation to the inspection of private schools, which was read and referred to the committee on Education and sent up for concurrence.

Inspection of private schools.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Lothrop of Cohasset, remonstrance of D. Sylvester and 99 others against any change in the law concerning lobsters. Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Lobsters.

By Mr. Keane of Holyoke, petition of John Hosburgh and others, tour-workers in paper mills, for such legislation as will reduce their hours of labor (or running time) to sixty-five and one-half per week.

Hours of labor for workers in paper mills.

By Mr. Pear of Cambridge, petition of Martha A. Kelley and others for legislation to reduce the hours of labor to fifty-six and one-half weekly for women and children employed in manufacturing establishments.

Employment of women and children in manufacturing establishments

Severally referred to the committee on Labor.

By Mr. Warden of Waltham, petition of the Board of Engineers and entire fire department of Waltham; by Mr. Hastings of Framingham, petition of A. M. Eames and others; by Mr. Poore of Bradford, petition of Walter G. Perkins and others; by Mr. Keane of Holyoke, petition of N. J. Baker and others; by Mr. Provin of Westfield, petition of Fire Engineers, Hose Companies Nos. 1, 2 and 3, Hook and Ladder Company No. 1, and Chemical Companies Nos. 1 and 2 (all of Westfield); by Mr. Sohler of Beverly, petition of C. E. Smith and others; and by Mr. Richards of Lynn, petition of James E. Tarbox and others, — severally, in aid of the petition of John E.

Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

Fitzgerald and others of Boston for the passage of an act appropriating \$10,000 annually to the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Wyman of Hyde Park, —

Fire insurance
policies.

Ordered, That the committee on Insurance, who were instructed to consider the expediency of amending the Statute of 1887, chapter 214, section 60, by striking out this clause thereof, "and such reference, unless waived by the parties, shall be a condition precedent to any right of action in law or equity to recover such loss," be respectfully requested to report to this House at their earliest convenience what action has been taken by them on the subject-matter of the order.

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Pear of Cambridge, —

Foreign
manufacturing
corporations.

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of providing by legislation that manufacturing corporations organized under the laws of other States, which have filed a certificate under chapter 330 of the Acts of the year 1884, may purchase and hold real estate in Massachusetts necessary for conducting their business.

Papers from the Senate.

Committee on
Insurance
authorized to
sit during the
sessions of both
branches.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Insurance be authorized to sit during the sessions of both branches.

Belmont, —
water supply
for the city of
Cambridge.

A report of the committee on Water Supply, leave to withdraw, for want of proper notice, on the petition of the selectmen of Belmont and others for the repeal of so much of chapter 165 of the Acts of the year 1875 as authorizes the city of Cambridge to take, hold, etc., the waters of Little Pond and Wellington Brook in the town of Belmont, for a water supply, was read and referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Water Supply, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

A Bill concerning admissions to the Asylum for Insane at Tewksbury (introduced on leave in the House), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Admissions to the Asylum for the Insane at Tewksbury.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence : —

Petition of Uriel H. Crocker and others in aid of the petition of Elmer H. Capen and others that the Governor be authorized to appoint a Solicitor-General for the Commonwealth, as provided for in the Constitution, and one or more Assistant Solicitors-General for each judicial district. To the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Solicitor-General and Assistant Solicitors-General.

Petition of William B. White and others that a suitable appropriation be made to defray the expense of erecting stones on the battlefield of Gettysburg to mark permanently the positions of the flanks of regiments. To the committee on Military Affairs, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, moved by Mr. Southwick of Peabody.

Battlefield of Gettysburg.

Petitions of Engine Company No. 1 ; Hook and Ladder Company No. 1 ; Fire Engineers and Frederick L. Burden and others (all of North Attleborough) ; Loring H. Cushing and others of South Hingham ; and Engine Company No. 4 of Hingham, — severally, in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others for an annual appropriation for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association, to aid firemen injured while in discharge of their duties.

Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

Severally to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Tyler of Middleton, from the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition of David F. Moreland and others for legislation to prohibit the employment of young girls and women in that branch of the morocco leather business known as bleeding or seasoning. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Employment of young girls in bleeding or seasoning morocco leather.

By Mr. Witt of Boston, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on petitions, a Bill to incorporate the Robert B. Thomas Savings Bank in the town of West Boylston.

Robert B. Thomas Savings Bank in West Boylston.

By Mr. Read of Cambridge, from the same committee, on the annual report of the Commissioners of Savings Banks, in part, a Bill to amend sections 40 and 41 of

Annual reports of savings banks and institutions for savings.

chapter 116 of the Public Statutes, in relation to the annual reports of savings banks and institutions for savings.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Randolph water
bonds.

By Mr. Backup of Boston, from the committee on Water Supply, leave to withdraw, for want of proper notice, on the petition of the Water Commissioners of Randolph for authority to issue additional water bonds. Read, and, on motions of Mr. Backup of Boston, the rule was suspended, and the report, with petition, was recommended, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct, and sent up for concurrence.

Bill Enacted and a Resolve Passed.

Bill enacted.

An engrossed Bill to amend section 3 of chapter 116 of the Public Statutes relating to the annual examination of savings banks (which originated in the House) was passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed.

An engrossed Resolve providing for printing additional copies of the report of the General Superintendent of Prisons (which originated in the House) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders.

Employment of
children.

On motion of Mr. McEttrick of Boston the Bill in relation to the employment of children was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, February 28, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate :

Orders of the
Day.

On an order relative to giving further jurisdiction to justices of the peace not living within the judicial district of a police or district court ;

On an order relative to recording conditional contracts for personal property ;

On an order relative to further legislation to prevent unlawful gaming; and

On an order relative to providing for a compilation and codification of the laws relating to the powers and duties of town officers;

Were severally accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Worcester, Nashua and Rochester Railroad Company that savings banks and institutions for savings be authorized to invest in the bonds and notes of said company;

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of William Gibbons of Natick, Company F, 19th Massachusetts Volunteers, for money alleged to be due him from the State;

Of the committee on Printing, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the number of copies of the annual report of the State Board of Arbitration to be printed each year;

Of the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to prohibiting the crowding of horse cars, and limiting the carrying capacity of each street car to forty-four persons; and

Of the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, on the petition of J. W. Tuttle and others that a part of the town of Watertown may be annexed to the city of Newton;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

In relation to affidavits of notice of appointment and sales of real estate by administrators and executors;

To amend section 10 of chapter 203 of the Public Statutes fixing a minimum penalty for the crime of burglary;

To extend the charter of the Nahant Land Company;

To incorporate the Workingmen's Building Association;

To incorporate the Oxford Agricultural Society;

To amend the charter of the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy; and

To authorize the town of Peabody to increase and preserve its water supply;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

chapter 116 of the Public Statutes, in relation to the annual reports of savings banks and institutions for savings.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Randolph water
bonds.

By Mr. Backup of Boston, from the committee on Water Supply, leave to withdraw, for want of proper notice, on the petition of the Water Commissioners of Randolph for authority to issue additional water bonds. Read, and, on motions of Mr. Backup of Boston, the rule was suspended, and the report, with petition, was recommended, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct, and sent up for concurrence.

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Reports :

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Orders of the
Day.

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On an order relative to recording conditional contracts for personal property ;

On an order relative to further legislation to prevent unlawful gaming ; and

On an order relative to providing for a compilation and codification of the laws relating to the powers and duties of town officers ;

Were severally accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Worcester, Nashua and Rochester Railroad Company that savings banks and institutions for savings be authorized to invest in the bonds and notes of said company ;

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of William Gibbons of Natick, Company F, 19th Massachusetts Volunteers, for money alleged to be due him from the State ;

Of the committee on Printing, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the number of copies of the annual report of the State Board of Arbitration to be printed each year ;

Of the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to prohibiting the crowding of horse cars, and limiting the carrying capacity of each street car to forty-four persons ; and

Of the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, on the petition of J. W. Tuttle and others that a part of the town of Watertown may be annexed to the city of Newton ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

In relation to affidavits of notice of appointment and sales of real estate by administrators and executors ;

To amend section 10 of chapter 203 of the Public Statutes fixing a minimum penalty for the crime of burglary ;

To extend the charter of the Nahant Land Company ;

To incorporate the Workingmen's Building Association ;

To incorporate the Oxford Agricultural Society ;

To amend the charter of the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy ; and

To authorize the town of Peabody to increase and preserve its water supply ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Providing for a third assistant clerk of the Superior Court, civil session, of the county of Suffolk ;

Concerning the records and annual returns of savings banks ;

To amend the charter of the Powow Hill Water Company (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, so that it read, "Bill to amend an act to incorporate the Powow Hill Water Company") ;

To authorize the city of Newton to make an additional water loan ;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the district court of Western Hampden ;

To incorporate the State Street Exchange ;

To incorporate the Spencer Farmers' and Mechanics' Association ; and

To establish the salary of the clerk of the district court of Northern Berkshire ; and

Resolves :

Providing for the printing of 500 extra copies of the report of the State Board of Health on the protection of the purity of inland waters (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ; and

Providing for printing 1,200 extra copies of the report of the Board of Registration in Dentistry (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relative to furnishing of certificates of death by physicians (its title having been amended, on motion of Mr. Brown of Boston, so that it read " Bill to amend section three of chapter thirty-two of the Public Statutes relating to the furnishing, by physicians, of certificates of death") ; and

The Resolve in favor of Timothy Murphy ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, the bill being sent up for concurrence in the amendment to the title.

The Bill to amend an act to incorporate the Boston Tow-Boat Company was read a third time, amended, as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third

Reading, by the substitution of a bill with the same title, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, as amended, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

The House concurred with the Senate in the amendment to the House Bill to authorize the town of South Scituate to change its name, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The Bill authorizing the county commissioners of Middlesex County to erect an addition to the registry of deeds building in Cambridge was read a third time. Mr. Whitcher of Stoneham moved to amend by substituting a bill with the same title. Pending the amendment, and pending the question on the engrossment of the bill, it was, on motion of Mr. Dresser of Medford, postponed for further consideration until Thursday next.

The Bill to prohibit the imposition of fines or deductions of wages of employees engaged at weaving was read a second time. Pending the question on ordering to a third reading, Mr. Fisk of Boston raised the point of order that the bill was broader in its scope than the subject-matter of the order considered by the committee. Pending the question of order the bill was postponed for consideration until to-morrow, on further motion of Mr. Fisk. Point of order.

The Bill to incorporate the Monson Water Company was read a second time and considered. Mr. Clark of Huntington moved certain amendments, pending which, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Backup of Boston, recommitted to the committee on Water Supply.

The Bill relative to clerks of police and district courts was read a third time, and pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on motion of Mr. Hall of Taunton, recommitted to the committee on Public Service.

The Bill concerning the election and the powers and duties of trustees of free public libraries, or of free public libraries and reading-rooms in towns, was read a second time and considered. Pending amendments, moved by Messrs. Barrett of Melrose, Holman of Clinton and Wilde of Malden, and pending the question on ordering the bill

to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Wilde of Malden, recommitted to the committee on Education.

The Bill to amend an act to authorize the Connecticut River Railroad Company to unite and consolidate with the Ashuelot Railroad Company of New Hampshire, was read a third time and considered. Pending the question on its engrossment, the House,

At two minutes before four o'clock, adjourned.

TUESDAY, February 21, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Samuel L. Gracey of Salem, a member of the House.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Slocum of Newton, petition of W. H. Fox and others of Taunton for legislation in reference to appointment, removal and tenure of office of chiefs of police and other police officers in cities. Referred to the committee on Cities.

Tenure of office
of police officers
in cities.

By Mr. Warden of Waltham, petition of the trustees of the Westborough Insane Hospital in aid of the petition for an appropriation to cover certain improvements and additions to said hospital.

Westborough
Insane
Hospital.

By Mr. Allen of Woburn, petition of Clarence Littlefield, Thomas Salmon and others; by Mr. Seavey of Medway, petition of Daniel C. Cotton, William Cody and others; by Mr. Dresser of Medford, petition of John A. Coffey, Samuel C. Lawrence and others; and by Mr. Southwick of Peabody, petition of Hose Company No. 2, — severally, in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others of Boston for the passage of an act appropriating \$10,000 annually to the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

Massachusetts
State Firemen's
Association.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

By Mr. Griswold of Greenfield, petition of Eben A. Hall and others; by Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, petition of Edward B. Breck and others; and by Mr. Rogers of Orleans, petition of B. S. Eldredge and others, — severally, that women qualified to vote for school committee be allowed to vote on the question of granting licenses to sell intoxicating liquors.

Women voting
on the liquor
license question.

Severally referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Griswold of Greenfield, petition of R. M. Snow and others; and by Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, petition

Age of consent.

of J. Mandeville and others, — severally, for such amendment to chapter 305 of the Acts of 1886 as will raise the age of consent from thirteen to eighteen years.

Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. Ware of Boston, was adopted, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence : —

New index to
the Public
Statutes.

Ordered, That the committee on Printing consider the expediency of printing the new index to the Public Statutes as authorized by chapter 75 of the Resolves of 1886 and report a resolve designating the number of copies and providing for the distribution thereof.

Introduced on Leave.

County
treasurers and
county finances.

By Mr. Qua of Lowell, a Bill in relation to county treasurers and county finances. Read, and, on motion of Mr. Qua, the 12th Joint Rule was suspended, and the bill was referred to the committee on the Judiciary, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

Holding of office
by members of
political com-
mittees.

Of the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that in any city or cities, no members of a political committee shall hold any paid office or employment, the salary or compensation whereof is payable from the treasury of such city ; and

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw :

Salary of the
clerk of the
Third District
Court of Bristol.

On the petition of Thomas J. Cobb, clerk of the Third District Court of Bristol, for an increase of salary ; and

Salary of the
clerk of the
First District
Court of South-
ern Middlesex.

On the petition of Joseph H. Ladd, clerk of the First District Court of Southern Middlesex, for an increase of salary ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Thursday.

Bills :

Meetings of
trustees of
savings banks
and institutions
for savings.

Relating to regular meetings of the Boards of Trustees of Savings Banks and Institutions for Savings (reported, in part, on the annual report of the Commissioners of Savings Banks) ; and

Relating to the maintenance of watchmen in family hotels in the city of Boston (reported on a petition);

Watchmen in family hotels.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Notice was received from the Senate that the House order relating to the attendance of convicts at the funeral services of those near in relationship, under such rules and restrictions as the Governor and Council, or some other proper authority, may fix, had been referred by that branch to the next General Court, under the 12th Joint Rule.

Attendance of convicts at funerals of near relatives.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence:—

Petitions of the mayor of Lowell and others and Hose Company No. 3 of Leominster; of Joseph Philbrick and others, and Arthur J. Dunlap and others of Taunton and North Dighton; and of James T. Cummings and others and G. W. Lord and others of Somerville, — severally, in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others for an annual appropriation for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association, to aid firemen injured while in discharge of their duties.

Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

Severally to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Petition of the selectmen of the town of Manchester, and others, for authority to take a portion of the Old Burying Ground in said town, to widen and straighten Summer Street (leading from Manchester to Gloucester). To the committee on Roads and Bridges, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, moved by Mr. Story of Gloucester.

Old Burying Ground in Manchester.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Temple of Colrain, from the committee on Federal Relations, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Local Assembly No. 3123, Knights of Labor, that the Senators and Representatives, delegated to the National Congress, be requested to use their endeavors towards the purchase of coal mines by the national government.

Purchase of coal mines by the national government.

By Mr. Leach of Boston, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Seraphin Bergeron and others for an act of incorporation

Fall River Wire Clothes-Pin Manufacturing Company.

as the Fall River Wire Clothes-Pin Manufacturing Company.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Thursday.

Hollander,
Bradshaw and
Folsom.

By Mr. Morey of Lowell, from the committee on Manufactures, leave to withdraw, at their own request, on the petition of Hollander, Bradshaw and Folsom for authority to build an elevator and to be exempted from the provisions of section 107, chapter 374 of the Acts of 1885. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Morey, and sent up for concurrence.

Workingmen's
Loan Association.

By Mr. Milne of Fall River, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Workingmen's Loan Association.

Inspection of
factories and
public buildings.

By Mr. Quincy of Quincy, from the committee on Labor, on an order relative to the duties of the district police force as inspectors of factories and public buildings, and in relation to an increase in the number of said force, in part, a Bill to divide the district police force into two departments.

Hawes Place
Congregational
Society.

By Mr. Gracey of Salem, from the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, on a petition, a Bill to amend the charter of the Hawes Place Congregational Society.

Trustees of
Greene Foundation.

By Mr. Lyman of Belchertown, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the Trustees of the Greene Foundation to hold additional real estate.

Needham water
supply.

By Mr. Finney of Plymouth, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition, a Bill to supply the town of Needham with water.

Printing of laws
relating to elections.

By Mr. Bennett of Springfield, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve concerning the printing of laws relating to elections ought to pass, in a new draft with the same title.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Benjamin
Cushing.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill concerning the salary of the late Benjamin Cushing, a principal assessor of the city of Boston, ought to pass.

Publication of
special laws.

By Mr. Dexter of Lowell, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve providing for the publication of certain special laws ought to pass.

By Mr. Hartwell of Ayer, from the same committee, that the Bill to establish the salary of the judge of probate and insolvency for the county of Essex ought to pass.

Salary of the judge of probate and insolvency for the county of Essex.

By Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, from the same committee, that the Bill to establish the salary of the assistant register of probate and insolvency for the county of Worcester ought to pass.

Salary of the assistant register of probate and insolvency for the county of Worcester.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill concerning the publication and distribution of the manual of the General Court ought to pass.

Manual of the General Court.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for Thursday for a second reading.

By Mr. Lyons of North Adams, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Melanie Demasuer. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Melanie Demasuer.

Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.

Engrossed bills:

To authorize savings banks and institutions for savings to invest in the bonds and notes of the Boston and Lowell Railroad Corporation;

Bills enacted.

To establish the salary of the clerk of the District Court of East Norfolk;

To incorporate the Ludlow Savings Bank, in the town of Ludlow;

(Which severally originated in the House);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

An engrossed Resolve providing for printing one thousand additional copies of the Report of the Trustees of the Massachusetts Agricultural College (which originated in the House) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed.

The Chair.

The Speaker announced that during his absence on Thursday and Friday Mr. Symonds of Salem would occupy the chair.

The chair.

*Discharged from the Orders.***Weaving.**

On motion of Mr. Fisk of Boston, the Bill to prohibit the imposition of fines or deductions of wages of employees engaged at weaving, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the point of order raised by Mr. Fisk, and pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, laid on the table.

*Orders of the Day.***Orders of the Day.**

The report of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition of David F. Moreland and others for legislation to prohibit the employment of young girls and women in that branch of the morocco leather business known as bleeding or seasoning, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To amend sections 40 and 41 of chapter 116 of the Public Statutes in relation to the annual reports of savings banks and institutions for savings ;

To incorporate the Robert B. Thomas Savings Bank in the town of West Boylston ; and

Concerning admissions to the Asylum for Insane at Tewksbury ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

In relation to affidavits of notice of appointment and sales of real estate by administrators and executors ;

To amend section 10 of chapter 203 of the Public Statutes relating to the penalty for the crime of burglary (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

To incorporate the Workingmen's Building Association ;

To amend the charter of the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy ; and

To incorporate the Oxford Agricultural Society ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills:

To extend the charter of the Nahant Land Company ;
and

To establish the salaries of the county commissioners
of Franklin County ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to
be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to amend an act to authorize the Connecticut
River Railroad Company to unite and consolidate with
the Ashuelot Railroad Company of New Hampshire was
further considered, and was passed to be engrossed, in
concurrence.

The Bill relating to the procedure in poor debtor mat-
ters was further considered, and, after debate, was ordered
to a third reading.

At five minutes before four o'clock, adjourned.

THURSDAY, February 23, 1888.

Met according to adjournment, Mr. Symonds of Salem in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report Received.

Supplementary
report of the
Commissioners
of Savings
Banks on
unclaimed
deposits.

The supplementary report of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks relating to unclaimed deposits, as required by chapter 319 of the Acts of 1887, was received, and was referred to the committee on Banks and Banking and sent up for concurrence.

Petitions Presented.

Massachusetts
State Firemen's
Association.

By Mr. Story of Gloucester, petition of William W. Cook and others; by Mr. Church of Cambridge, petition of James Cunningham and others; by Mr. Friend of Gloucester, petition of J. A. Lynch and others; by Mr. Brigham of Marlborough, petition of John F. Byrne and others; by Mr. Waters of Orange, petition of Alonzo W. Martin and others; and by Mr. Hill of Spencer, petition of Steamer No. 1, — severally, in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others of Boston for the passage of an act appropriating \$10,000 annually to the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Annexation of a
part of Hanson
to Whitman.

By Mr. Turner of South Scituate, remonstrance of Andrew Bowker and others against the petition of Horace Reed and others for the annexation of a part of Hanson to Whitman. Referred to the committee on Towns.

Winchendon, —
Naukeag Pond.

By Mr. Perkins of Winchendon, petition of the selectmen of the town of Winchendon for authority to take water from Upper Naukeag Pond for fire and domestic use. Referred, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, to the committee on Water Supply, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Women voting
on the liquor
license question.

By Mr. Haskell of Deerfield, petitions of Elizabeth A. Williams and others, P. M. Wells and others, and Henry Smith and others; by Mr. Coolidge of West Brookfield,

petition of J. B. Hill and others; and by Mr. Seavey of Medway, petition of H. E. Mason and others, — severally, that women qualified to vote for school committee be allowed to vote on the question of granting licenses to sell intoxicating liquors.

Severally referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage.
Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Seavey of Medway, petition of Charles H. Deans and others; by Mr. Haskell of Deerfield, petitions of Samuel Wilder and others and M. W. Lee and others; and by Mr. Coolidge of West Brookfield, petition of James B. Pearsons and others, — severally, for such amendment to chapter 305 of the Acts of 1886 as will raise the age of consent from thirteen to eighteen years.

Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring all railroads chartered by or running trains in the State of Massachusetts to place upon the front and rear platforms of all cars a safety rail or gate, to be kept closed while the train is in motion, said rail or gate not to be less than three feet in height, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Safety rails or gates on platforms of rail-road cars.

Bills :

To amend chapter 106 of the Public Statutes so that corporations may be organized under that chapter for the purpose of erecting and maintaining buildings for manufacturing and mechanical purposes (reported on an order) ;

Corporations for erecting buildings for manufacturing and mechanical purposes.

To change the name of the West Amesbury Manufacturing Company ;

West Amesbury Manufacturing Company.

To confirm the sale of the Springfield and New London Railroad to the New York and New England Railroad Company ;

Springfield and New London Railroad,—New York and New England Railroad Company.

(Severally reported on petitions) ; and

Relating to the investments of savings banks (being a new draft of a Bill (introduced on leave in the Senate), relative to determining the population of cities without the Commonwealth in the bonds of which savings banks are allowed to invest) ;

Investments of savings banks.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Fanny Ross.

A Resolve in favor of Fanny Ross, reported on a petition and passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Magnolia Improvement Company.

A Bill to incorporate the Magnolia Improvement Company (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and, on motion of Mr. Story of Gloucester, the rule was suspended and the bill was laid on the table.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence : —

Public parks for the city of Worcester.

Petition of the city of Worcester for authority to issue bonds to an amount not exceeding two hundred and fifty thousand dollars for the purchase or taking of lands for parks and for the construction of the same, said amount not to be included within the debt limit of said city. To the committee on Cities.

Protection of fish and game birds.

Petition of James T. Robinson and others for an amendment of the laws relating to the catching of trout, the shooting of game birds, and for the better protection of fish and game birds. To the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Employment of women and minors in manufacturing and mechanical establishments.

Petition of Sarah J. Higgins and 325 others that women and children shall not be required to work more than 56½ hours in any one week in manufacturing and mechanical establishments. To the committee on Labor.

Reports of Committees.

Examination of teachers of common schools.

By Mr. Stowe of Bellingham, from the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order concerning the examination of teachers of common schools and the certificates thereof.

Union Canadienne of Holyoke.

By Mr. McEnaney of Boston, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Union Canadienne of Holyoke for an act of incorporation.

Salary of the judge of the police court of Newton.

By Mr. Towne of Lynn, from the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John C. Park, judge of the police court of the city of Newton, for an increase of salary.

Salaries of the State House firemen.

By Mr. Clark of Wilbraham, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the salaries of the State House firemen.

By Mr. Lothrop of Cohasset, from the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition of J. Driscoll for the revocation of the charter of the West End Street Railway Company. West End Street Railway Company.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Parkman of Boston, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill providing for the registration and licensing of plumbers in the cities of the Commonwealth. Licensing of plumbers.

By Mr. Gile of Worcester, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to change the name of the Trustees of the Home for Aged Females in the city of Worcester. Trustees of the Home for Aged Females in Worcester.

By Mr. Hayes of Boston, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition, a Bill to establish a sinking fund for the city of New Bedford from the receipts from water rates. New Bedford water debt.

By Mr. Norwood of Hamilton, from the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill to establish the salary of the justice of the police court of Lawrence. Salary of the justice of the police court of Lawrence.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Towne of Lynn, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to establish the salary of the Commissioners of Savings Banks. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance. Salary of the Commissioners of Savings Banks.

Motion to Reconsider.

Mr. Barrett of Melrose moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Tuesday last, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, the Bill to amend an act to authorize the Connecticut River Railroad Company to unite and consolidate with the Ashuelot Railroad Company of New Hampshire. After debate, the motion was lost, by a vote of 76 to 96. Connecticut River Railroad Company, — Ashuelot Railroad Company of New Hampshire.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Federal Relations, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Local Assembly No. 3123, Knights of Labor, that the Senators and Representatives delegated to the National Congress be requested to use their endeavors towards the purchase of all coal mines by the National Government ; and Orders of the Day.

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Seraphin Bergeron and others for an act of incorporation as the Fall River Wire Clothes-Pin Manufacturing Company ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw :

On the petition of Thomas J. Cobb, clerk of the Third District Court of Bristol County, for an increase of salary ; and

On the petition of Joseph H. Ladd, clerk of the First District Court of Southern Middlesex County, for an increase of salary ; and

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that in any city or cities no members of political committees shall hold any paid office or employment, the salary or compensation whereof is payable from the treasury of such city ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the trustees of the Greene Foundation to hold additional real estate ;

To supply the town of Needham with water ;

To incorporate the Workingmen's Loan Association ;

To establish the salary of the judge of probate and insolvency for the county of Essex ;

To establish the salary of the assistant register of probate and insolvency for the county of Worcester ;

To divide the district police force into two departments ;

Concerning the salary of the late Benjamin Cushing, a principal assessor of the city of Boston ;

Concerning the publication and distribution of the Manual for the General Court (amended on motions of Messrs. Wilde of Malden and Griswold of Greenfield) ;

Relating to regular meetings of the Boards of Trustees of Savings Banks and Institutions for Savings ;

Relating to the maintenance of watchmen in family hotels in the city of Boston ;

To amend the charter of the Hawes Place Congregational Society (amended on motion of Mr. Gracey of Salem) ; and

Resolves :

Providing for the publication of certain special laws ; and

Concerning the printing of laws relating to elections ;
Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to incorporate the Robert B. Thomas Savings Bank in the town of West Boylston was read a third time, amended as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, in the first section of the bill, by striking out the words " Robert B. Thomas " and inserting in place thereof the word " Security," and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence, its title having been also amended, as recommended by the same committee, by striking out the words " Robert B. Thomas " and inserting in place thereof the word " Security."

The Bill concerning admissions to the Asylum for Insane at Tewksbury was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill authorizing the county commissioners of Middlesex County to erect an addition to the registry of deeds building in Cambridge was further considered. Pending the question on its engrossment, and pending the amendment moved by Mr. Whitcher of Stoneham to substitute a bill, it was, on motion of Mr. Adams of Lowell, recommitted to the committee on County Estimates, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

The Bill to authorize the town of Peabody to increase and preserve its water supply was read a third time, and, pending amendments, recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and pending the main question on its engrossment, it was, on motion of Mr. Qua of Lowell, postponed for further consideration until Monday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

The Bill to amend sections 40 and 41 of chapter 116 of the Public Statutes in relation to the annual reports of savings banks and institutions for savings was read a third time, and, pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on motion of Mr. Ferry of Springfield, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, February 29.

At twenty-five minutes past three o'clock, adjourned.

FRIDAY, February 24, 1888.

Met according to adjournment, Mr. Symonds of Salem in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Returns of Registered Female Voters for School Committee.

Returns of registered female voters for school committee.

A communication was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth transmitting the returns of the number of registered female voters for school committee for the years 1881 to 1887, inclusive, and also the number who have exercised the privilege of voting. The communication was read, and the returns were laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Petitions Presented.

Lobsters.

By Mr. Rogers of Orleans, remonstrance of George Eldridge and others against the passage of any act making a closed season for the trapping of lobsters. Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

By Mr. O'Mealey of Boston, petition of Engine Company No. 26 of Boston; by Mr. Champlin of Chelsea, petitions of Charles M. Pearson, Daniel W. Pepper and others; by Mr. Lally of Milford, petition of M. J. Buckley and others; and by Mr. James Donovan of Boston, petitions of R. H. Kemp and others and of Ladder Company No. 13 of Boston, — severally, in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others of Boston for the passage of an act appropriating \$10,000 annually to the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Bills:

Injuries received on highways.

To extend the jurisdiction of actions of tort brought for injuries received through defects in the public ways or bridges (reported on an order); and

To authorize Lucius M. Sheldon to build a bridge across a tide-water creek at Westport Point in the town of Westport (reported on a petition);

Lucius M. Sheldon.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

A Bill to amend an act relating to composition with creditors in insolvency, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Composition with creditors in insolvency.

Bills:

To establish the salaries of the first and second clerks of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor; and

Salaries of the first and second clerks of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor. Report of the Board of Gas Commissioners.

To authorize the printing of additional copies of the annual report of the Board of Gas Commissioners;

Severally reported on orders, and severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

A message from the Governor transmitting a report of the State Board of Lunacy and Charity, respecting the immigration into this Commonwealth of criminals from foreign countries, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Immigration of foreign criminals.

The first annual report of the Controller of Accounts of county officers, officers of inferior courts and trial justices, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Expenditures.

Controller of accounts of county officers.

The Bill in relation to county treasurers and county finances (introduced on leave in the House), came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

County treasurers and county finances.

Notice was received from the Senate that the House order relative to instructing the committee on Insurance to report to the House what action has been taken by them on the order to consider the expediency of amending the Statute of 1887, chapter 214, section 60, by striking out this clause thereof, "and such reference, unless waived by the parties, shall be a condition precedent to any right of action in law or equity to recover such loss," had been rejected by that branch.

Fire insurance policies.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence:—

Petitions of Charles E. Hibbard and others, and the South Berkshire Sportsmen's Club and others,—sever-

Protection of fish and game.

ally, for an amendment of the laws relating to the catching of trout, the shooting of game birds, and for the better protection of game birds and fish.

Severally to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Bridge over
Charles River,
between Boston
and Cambridge.

Petition of Leander Greely for such legislation as will provide for a compensation to be paid to the commissioner appointed by the mayors of Boston and Cambridge, under the act to authorize the cities of Boston and Cambridge to construct and maintain a bridge over Charles River. Referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Massachusetts
State Firemen's
Association.

Petitions of Hook and Ladder Company No. 1, and T. H. Brewer and others of Cambridge, and Engine Company No. 1 of Rockport,—severally, in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others for an annual appropriation for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association, to aid firemen injured while in discharge of their duties.

Severally to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Taken from the Table.

Report of the
Treasurer and
Receiver-
General.

On motions of Mr. Ware of Boston, the annual report of the Treasurer and Receiver-General for the year ending Dec. 31, 1887, was taken from the table and was referred to the committee on Finance.

Reports of Committees.

Fraudulent
impersonation
of deceased
persons.

By Mr. Pratt of Abington, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing a law prohibiting the fraudulent impersonation of any spirit or deceased person at any seances or religious meeting.

Peremptory
challenges to
jurors

By Mr. Smith of Athol, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 36 of chapter 170 of the Public Statutes that the number of jurors that may be challenged peremptorily may be increased.

Bounties for the
destruction of
birds and ani-
mals injurious
to crops.

By Mr. Trull of Tewksbury, from the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to bounties for destroying birds and other animals injurious to crops.

By Mr. Wright of Westford, from the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the election of school committees in cities and towns upon separate ballots.

Election of school committees on separate ballots.

By Mr. Taft of New Marlborough, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to prohibiting by law the trapping or killing of muskrats between the months of September and February.

Trapping of muskrats.

By Mr. Stimpson of Swampscott, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles E. Crosby and others relative to fishing in the Connecticut River.

Fishing in the Connecticut River.

By Mr. Hayes of Lynn, from the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to such legislation as shall make the sale and use of poison by mistake impossible.

Sale of poison.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

By Mr. Dexter of Lowell, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year, and for certain other expenses authorized by law.

Appropriation bill.

By Mr. Bottum of Northampton, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill to amend an act to extend and regulate the liability of employers to make compensation for personal injuries suffered by employees in their service.

Employer's liability.

By Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to provide for the disposition of forfeited property which has been used in gaming.

Disposition of forfeited property used in gaming.

By Mr. Dame of Newbury, from the committee on Roads and Bridges, on a petition, a Bill to establish a grade in the town of Medford.

Grade in the town of Medford.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill to provide for the preparation and publication of supplements to the Public Statutes.

Supplements to the Public Statutes.

By Mr. Butler of Georgetown, from the committee on Prisons, on so much of the Governor's Address as relates to the State Prison at Boston, in part, a Resolve to authorize the erection of additional officers' houses at the State Prison at Boston.

Officers' houses at the State Prison.

State Industrial
School for Girls
at Lancaster.

By Mr. Hagerty of Boston, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on a petition, a Resolve providing for the completion of the plumbing and laying of drain-pipes at the State Industrial School for Girls at Lancaster.

Springfield.

By Mr. Ferry of Springfield, from the same committee, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of the city of Springfield.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To change the name of the Parish of St. Anne's in the town of Chelmsford ;

To authorize the city of Taunton to raise money for the celebration of the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary of its settlement as a town ;

Providing for a clerk for the police court of Brookline ;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the police court of Haverhill ;

To authorize the town of South Scituate to change its name ;

To incorporate the Chestnut Hill Real Estate Association of Marlborough ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To include the town of Wilmington within the judicial district of the Fourth District Court of Eastern Middlesex County ;

To amend an act to incorporate the Boston Tow-Boat Company ;

To increase the number of associate justices of the Superior Courts ;

To amend section 3 of chapter 32 of the Public Statutes relating to the furnishing by physicians of certificates of death ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

In favor of Henry Tredo ; and

In favor of William Johnson ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

Resolves
passed.

In favor of Timothy Murphy (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Union Canadienne of Holyoke for an act of incorporation ; Orders of the Day.

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John C. Park, judge of the police court of the city of Newton, for an increase of salary ;

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the salaries of the State House firemen ; and

Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition of J. Driscoll for the revocation of the charter of the West End Street Railway Company ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring all railroads chartered by or running trains in the State of Massachusetts to place upon the front and rear platforms of all cars a safety rail or gate, was accepted, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the examination of teachers of common schools and the certificates thereof, was, on motion of Mr. Flynn of Boston, laid on the table.

Bills :

Providing for the registration and licensing of plumbers in the cities of the Commonwealth ;

To establish the salary of the justice of the police court of Lawrence ;

To establish a sinking fund for the city of New Bedford from the receipts from water rates ;

To change the name of the Trustees of the Home for Aged Females in the city of Worcester ;

To amend chapter 106 of the Public Statutes so that corporations may be organized under that chapter for the purpose of erecting and maintaining buildings for manufacturing and mechanical purposes ;

To change the name of the West Amesbury Manufacturing Company ;

To confirm the sale of the Springfield and New London Railroad to the New York and New England Railroad Company ; and

Relating to the investments of savings banks ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To amend the charter of the Hawes Place Congregational Society ;

To authorize the Trustees of the Greene Foundation to hold additional real estate ;

To supply the town of Needham with water ;

To incorporate the Workingmen's Loan Association ;

To establish the salary of the judge of probate and insolvency for the county of Essex ;

To establish the salary of the assistant register of probate and insolvency for the county of Worcester ; and

To divide the District Police Force into two departments ; and

Resolves :

Providing for the publication of certain special laws ; and

Providing for the printing of laws relating to elections (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

Concerning the salary of the late Benjamin Cushing, a principal assessor of the city of Boston ;

Relating to the maintenance of watchmen in family hotels in the city of Boston (its title having been amended, on motion of Mr. Brown of Boston, so that it read " Bill to amend an act relating to safety appliances in hotels and public buildings ") ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, the last-named bill being sent up for concurrence in the amendment to the title.

The Bill concerning the publication and distribution of the Manual for the General Court was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent

up for concurrence in the amendments previously adopted by the House.

The Bill relating to the regular meetings of the Boards of Trustees of Savings Banks and Institutions for Savings was read a third time, and, pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on motion of Mr. Parkman of Boston, postponed for further consideration until Monday next.

The Bill relating to procedure in poor debtor matters was read a third time and considered. Amendments recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and an amendment moved by Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, were adopted. After debate, the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

At five minutes before three o'clock, adjourned.

MONDAY, February 27, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Abstract of the Certificates of Corporations.

Abstract of
certificates and
returns of
corporations.

The abstract of the certificates of corporations organized under the general laws of Massachusetts, together with the annual returns required by chapter 106 of the Public Statutes during the year 1887, was received and referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs and sent up for concurrence.

Petitions Presented.

Lobsters.

By Mr. Finney of Plymouth, remonstrance of A. B. Rogers and others against any change in the law concerning lobsters.

Proprietors of
Eastern Harbor
Meadows and
Beaches.

By Mr. Conwell of Provincetown, remonstrance of the selectmen of Truro against the petition of the Proprietors of Eastern Harbor Meadows and Beaches for the exclusive right to use the waters of Eastern Harbor and the fishing and fowling therein.

Severally referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Black duck in
Plymouth
Harbor.

By Mr. Finney of Plymouth, petition of C. S. Cobb and others to so amend section 6 of chapter 276 of the Acts of 1886 as to prohibit the pursuing of black duck by means of a boat in Plymouth Harbor. Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

National
Woman
Suffrage Asso-
ciation of
Massachusetts.

By Mr. Wilkinson of Cambridge, petition of Harriette R. Shattuck and others for an act of incorporation as the National Woman Suffrage Association of Massachusetts. Referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Massachusetts
State Firemen's
Association.

By Mr. Pierce of Watertown, petition of Board of Engineers and Joseph Moseley and others of Watertown, Hook and Ladder Company No. 1 and Engine Company No. 1 of Watertown; and by Mr. Manning of Andover, petition of Steamer Company No. 1 of Andover and Engine Company No. 2 of Ballardvale,—sev-

erally, in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others of Boston for the passage of an act appropriating \$10,000 annually to the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Winthrop of Lee, petition of Henry B. May and others; by Mr. Gunn of Boston, petition of Samuel G. Lane and others, and of J. T. Gibson and others of Jamaica Plain; by Mr. Bartlett of Montague, petition of Andrew Baker and others; by Mr. Simonds of Westminster, petition of Charles Nichols and others; by Mr. Wright of Westford, petition of Alfred Boynton and others; by Mr. Henry of Fall River, petition of John J. Highlands and others; and by Mr. Bottum of Northampton, petition of D. W. Bond and others, — severally, that women qualified to vote for school committee be allowed to vote on the question of granting licenses to sell intoxicating liquors.

Women voting on the liquor license question.

Severally placed on file.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Clark of Natick, —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation consider the expediency of exempting from taxation the property of widows of deceased soldiers and sailors.

Exempting from taxation the property of widows of deceased soldiers and sailors.

Sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

Of the committee on Water Supply, leave to withdraw, at its own request, on the petition of the Vineyard Haven Water Company for authority to furnish the town of Cottage City with water, etc.; and

Vineyard Haven water company, — Cottage City water su

Of the committee on Woman Suffrage, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to allowing women to vote on the question of granting licenses to sell intoxicating liquors, and sundry petitions in aid thereof [Mr. Howland, of the Senate, and Messrs. Milliken of Malden, Gracey of Salem and Hinchcliffe of Lawrence, of the House, dissenting];

Women voting on the liquor license question.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills :

Surveyor-
general of
Lumber,—
grades of
lumber.

To establish the salary of the surveyor-general of lumber, to provide for grades of lumber undefined by the present law and recognized in trade, and for quantity measurements (reported on an order) ; and

Mount Holyoke
Female
Seminary.

To amend the act of incorporation of Mount Holyoke Female Seminary (reported on a petition) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

International
Court of
Arbitration.

A Resolution concerning an International Court of Arbitration, adopted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Report of the
State Board of
Health on the
purity of inland
waters.

The report of the State Board of Health on the protection of the purity of inland waters was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Health.

Bridge across
Connecticut
River between
Holyoke and
South Hadley
Falls.

A petition of the city of Holyoke for authority to reconstruct the highway bridge across the Connecticut River between Holyoke and South Hadley Falls was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Roads and Bridges, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Seals in Ipswich
and Plum Island
Rivers.

A remonstrance of E. J. Grant and others against the petition of the selectmen of Ipswich and others for legislation concerning the destruction of seals in Ipswich and Plum Island Rivers was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Reports of Committees.

Cider vinegar.

By Mr. Wilkinson of Cambridge, from the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 150 of the Acts of the year 1885 in regard to the standard of cider vinegar. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Jeffries Club of
Boston.

By Mr. McEnaney of Boston, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to change the name of the Jeffries Club of Boston. Read and ordered to a second reading.

Insurance
Department.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, from the committee on Finance, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the Bill making an additional appropriation for the Insurance Department, and recommending its recommitment to the committee on Public Service. Read and accepted, and the bill was recommitted as recommended by the committee.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To amend section 99 of chapter 157 of the Public Statutes, relating to allowances to insolvent debtors (which originated in the House) ; and Bills enacted.

To amend an act to authorize the Connecticut River Railroad Company to unite and consolidate with the Ashuelot Railroad Company of New Hampshire ;

Concerning admission to the Asylum for Insane at Tewksbury ;

To establish the salaries of the county commissioners of Franklin County ; and

To extend the charter of the Nahant Land Company ;
(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate : Orders of the Day.

On an order relative to providing a law prohibiting the fraudulent impersonation of any spirit or deceased person at any seance or religious meeting ; and

On an order relative to so amending section 36 of chapter 170 of the Public Statutes that the number of jurors that may be challenged peremptorily may be increased ;

Were severally accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to bounties for destroying birds and other animals injurious to crops ;

Of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the election of school committees in cities and towns upon separate ballots ;

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles E. Crosby and others relative to fishing in the Connecticut River ;

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to prohibiting by law the trapping or killing of muskrats, between the months of September and February ; and

Of the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to such legislation as shall make the sale and use of poison by mistake impossible ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

Making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year, and for certain other expenses authorized by law ;

To provide for the disposition of forfeited property which has been used in gaming ;

To establish a grade in the town of Medford ;

To amend an act to extend and regulate the liability of employers to make compensation for personal injuries suffered by employees in their service ;

To authorize Lucius M. Sheldon to build a bridge across a tide-water creek at Westport Point in the town of Westport ; and

To extend the jurisdiction of actions of tort brought for injuries received through defects in the public ways or bridges ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To establish the salary of the justice of the police court of Lawrence ;

Requiring the city of New Bedford to establish a sinking fund from the receipts from water rates (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ; and

To change the name of the Trustees of the Home for Aged Females in the City of Worcester (amended as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To change the name of the West Amesbury Manufacturing Company ;

To confirm the sale of the Springfield and New London London Railroad to the New York and New England Railroad Company ;

Relating to the investments of savings banks ; and

To amend chapter 106 of the Public Statutes so that

corporations may be organized under that chapter for the purpose of erecting and maintaining buildings for manufacturing and mechanical purposes, (amended as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading by the substitution of a bill with the title " Bill to amend section 13 of chapter 106 of the Public Statutes relating to the formation of certain corporations") ;

Were severally read a third time, and were severally passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, the last-named bill being sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

The Bill to authorize the town of Peabody to increase and preserve its water supply was further considered. The amendments recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading were adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence, its title having been changed by the same committee, so that it read, " Bill to further authorize the town of Peabody to increase and preserve its water supply."

The Bill relating to regular meetings of the Boards of Trustees of Savings Banks and Institutions for Savings, was, pending the question on its engrossment, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

The Bill providing for the registration and licensing of plumbers in the cities of the Commonwealth was read a third time and considered. Amendments, moved by Mr. Walworth of Newton, extending the provisions of the bill to the towns of the Commonwealth, were adopted, and the bill was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence, its title having been amended, on further motion of the same gentleman, by inserting the words " and towns" after the word " cities."

At two minutes past three o'clock, adjourned.

TUESDAY, February 28, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Reconsideration.*Water supply
of Peabody.

Mr. Qua of Lowell moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, passed to be engrossed the Bill to further authorize the town of Peabody to increase and preserve its water supply. The motion prevailed. Pending the recurring question on engrossment, Mr. Qua of Lowell moved an amendment, which, after debate, was rejected, and the bill was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

*Taken from the Files of Last Year.*Charles A.
Robinson.

On motions of Mr. Morey of Lowell, the petition of Charles A. Robinson of Lowell for legislation crediting him to Lowell instead of Farmington, Me., was taken from the files of last year, and was referred to the committee on Military Affairs, and sent up for concurrence.

*Petitions Presented.*Protection of
seals in Ipswich
and Plum Island
Rivers.

By Mr. Norwood of Hamilton, remonstrance of Nathaniel Burnham and others against the petition of the selectmen of Ipswich and others for legislation concerning the destruction of seals in Ipswich and Plum Island Rivers. Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Massachusetts
State Firemen's
Association.

By Mr. Brackett of Milton, petition of R. L. Chapman and others of Milton, and C. W. Crowell and others of Canton; by Mr. Gibson of Chicopee, petition of Pacific Engine Company No. 1; and by Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, petition of Hose Companies Nos. 1, 2 and 3 of Brookline, — severally, in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others of Boston for the passage of an act appropriating \$10,000 annually to the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

By Mr. Seavey of Medway, petition of Josephine P. Holland and others; by Mr. Gunn of Boston, petition of Aasta Hansteen and others; and by Mr. Frost of Boston, petition of Mary C. Ames and others, — severally, for the enactment of a law enabling women to vote in all town and municipal elections.

Municipal
suffrage for
women.

Severally referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, petition of Charles F. Chamberlayne for confirmation of his acts as a trial justice. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Charles F.
Chamberlayne.

By Mr. Grovesnor of Ludlow, petition of O. B. Smith and others; by Mr. Gibson of Chicopee, petition of Charles T. Kendrick and others; by Mr. Dewey of Williamsburg, petition of G. H. Ames and others; by Mr. Blake of Bedford, petition of Stephen Evans and others; and by Mr. Hatch of Marshfield, petition of John H. Bourne and others, — severally, that women qualified to vote for school committee be allowed to vote on the question of granting licenses to sell intoxicating liquors.

Women voting
on the liquor
license question.

Severally placed on file.

Taken from the Table.

On motions of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, the annual report of the State Board of Arbitration was taken from the table and was referred to the committee on Labor.

Report of the
State Board of
Arbitration.

On motions of Mr. Wadlin of Reading, the annual report of the Railroad Commissioners was taken from the table and was referred to the committee on Railroads.

Report of the
Railroad Com-
missioners.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

On motions of Mr. Ware of Boston, the report of the Commissioners of the State Topographical Survey for the year 1887 was taken from the table and was referred to the committee on Finance.

Report of the
Commissioners
of the State
Topographical
Survey.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John McDevitt for the payment

John McDevitt.

of a bounty for service in the United States navy during the late rebellion, as a part of the quota of this Commonwealth ; and

Salaries for members of the common council of Boston.

Of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing for the payment of salaries to members of the common council of the city of Boston ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills :

Vineyard Haven Gas and Electric Company.

To incorporate the Vineyard Haven Gas and Electric Company (reported on petitions) ; and

Savings banks.

Relating to the members of the corporation of savings banks (reported, in part, on the report of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Closing of liquor saloons on Christmas day.

A petition of J. F. P. Clinton and others in aid of the petition of Rev. William Byrne of Boston and others for the extension of the provisions of the act authorizing the police of cities and towns to close all liquor saloons on election days, to the legal holiday known as Christmas day, with a view of diminishing the evils of intemperance which seem most to prevail on that day, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on the Liquor Law.

Reports of Committees.

Henry O. Downing.

By Mr. Hagerty of Boston, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Henry O. Downing for legislation relative to granting administration on the estates of deceased persons.

Frederick B. Kellogg.

By Mr. Boardman of Marblehead, from the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Frederick B. Kellogg for money alleged to be due him from the State.

Salary of the clerk of the police court of Marlborough.

By Mr. Grosvenor of Ludlow, from the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of William N. Davenport and others for an increase of salary of the clerk of the police court of Marlborough.

Railroad Commissioners, — fares on railroads.

By Mr. Wyman of Hyde Park, from the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that the recommendations of the Railroad Commissioners as to fares on railroads shall be binding upon the railroads.

By Mr. Pear of Cambridge, from the committee on Water Supply, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Edward B. Howland and others for an act of incorporation as the Sandwich Water Company.

Sandwich
Water
Company.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Miller of Needham, from the committee on Public Health, no legislation necessary, on the first annual report of the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Dentistry, for the year 1887. Read and, on motion of Mr. Wilkinson of Cambridge, the rule was suspended, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Report of the
Massachusetts
Board of
Registration in
Dentistry.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill to amend an act relative to the erection of a court house in Fall River.

Fall River
court house.

By Mr. Bottum of Northampton, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill concerning the negotiability of certain promissory notes and other instruments.

Negotiability
of certain
promissory
notes and other
instruments.

By Mr. Smith of Athol, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to amend an act establishing the First District Court of Northern Worcester.

First District
Court of
Northern
Worcester.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to amend section 20 of chapter 104 of the Public Statutes relating to fire-resisting curtains in theatres.

Fire-resisting
curtains in
theatres.

By Mr. Colby of Boston, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to amend sections 66 and 67 of chapter 207 of the Public Statutes relating to fighting of dogs and other animals.

Fighting of dogs
and other
animals.

By Mr. Atwood of Boston, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Boston Suburban Land Company.

Boston
Suburban Land
Company.

By Mr. Gile of Worcester, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to change the name of the Dakota Mortgage Loan Corporation and to grant it additional powers.

Dakota Mort-
gage Loan
Corporation.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Boston Real Estate Association of Boston. [Mr. Clark of Berkshire and Hampshire, of the Senate, dissenting.]

Boston Real
Estate Associa-
tion of Boston.

By Mr. Shaw of Newburyport, from the committee on Street Railways, on a petition, a Bill to amend an Act to incorporate the Newburyport and Amesbury Horse Railroad Company.

Newburyport
and Amesbury
Horse Railroad
Company.

Brookline water supply.

By Mr. Pierce of Watertown, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition, a Bill to provide an additional water supply for the town of Brookline.

Mélanie Demasuer.

By Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve in favor of Mélanie Demasuer ought to pass in a new draft with the same title.

Officers of Companies C and G, Sixth Regiment, M.V.M.

By Mr. Dexter of Lowell, from the same committee, that the Resolve to provide uniforms and equipments for officers of companies C and G of the Sixth Regiment Infantry, Massachusetts Volunteer Militia, ought to pass in a new draft with the title "Resolve in favor of Orestes W. Pratt, George E. Worthen, Charles Wilson, Charles F. Richardson, Martin H. Leighton and Frank E. Cleaveland."

State Industrial School for Girls.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, from the same committee, that the Resolve providing for the completion of the plumbing and laying of drain pipes at the State Industrial School for Girls at Lancaster, ought to pass in a new draft with the title "Resolve providing for certain repairs and improvements at the State Industrial School for Girls."

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Salaries of the first and second clerks of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Bill to establish the salaries of the first and second clerks of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor ought to pass.

Fanny Ross.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve in favor of Fanny Ross ought to pass.

Springfield.

By Mr. Bennett of Springfield, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of the city of Springfield ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

To authorize the Boston Lying-in Hospital to hold additional real and personal estate ;

To authorize the city of Cambridge to borrow money in excess of the limit allowed by law ;

To authorize the Middleborough Fire District to make an additional water loan ;

To authorize the Massachusetts Institute of Technology to hold additional real and personal estate ;

To change the name of the Second Universalist Society in Lowell ;

To authorize the trustees of St. Mark's School to hold additional real and personal estate ;

Relating to the Board of Registrars of Voters in the city of Cambridge ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

An engrossed Resolve in favor of the Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary (which originated in the House) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate. Resolve passed.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 150 of the Acts of the year 1885 in regard to the standard of cider vinegar, was accepted and sent up for concurrence. Orders of the day.

The report of the committee on Water Supply, leave to withdraw, at its own request, on the petition of the Vineyard Haven Water Company for authority to furnish the town of Cottage City with water, etc., was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To change the name of the Jeffries Club of Boston ;
and

To amend the act of incorporation of Mount Holyoke Female Seminary ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to establish the salary of the surveyor general of lumber, to provide for grades of lumber undefined by the present law and recognized in trade, and for quantity measurements, was read a second time and considered. Mr. Sanford of Boston moved an amendment which was adopted, and, after debate, the bill was indefinitely postponed, on motion of Mr. Barrett of Melrose, and notice was sent to the Senate.

Bills :

To provide for the disposition of forfeited property which has been used in gaming ;

To establish a grade in the town of Medford ; and

To amend an act to extend and regulate the liability of employers to make compensation for personal injuries suffered by employees in their service ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year, and for certain other expenses authorized by law, was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent at once to the Senate for concurrence. Rule 15 having been suspended, on motion of Mr. Ware of Boston.

The Bill in relation to the employment of children was, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Quincy of Quincy.

The Bill relating to regular meetings of the Boards of Trustees of Savings Banks and Institutions for Savings, was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The Bill to authorize Lucius M. Sheldon to build a bridge or causeway across a tide-water creek at Westport Point in the town of Westport, was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, by inserting the words " or causeway " after the word " bridge."

The Resolution concerning an International Court of Arbitration was adopted, in concurrence.

The Bill to extend the jurisdiction of actions of tort brought for injuries received through defects in the public ways or bridges was read a third time and considered. The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending as a substitute a " Bill to amend section nineteen of chapter fifty-two of the Public Statutes, relating to notices in, and jurisdiction of, cases of injuries received on highways." Pending the amendment, and pending the main question on the engrossment of the bill, it was, on motion of Mr. Clark of Huntington, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

The report of the committee on Woman Suffrage, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to allowing women to vote on the question of granting licenses to sell intoxicating liquors, and sundry petitions in aid thereof, was considered. Mr. Milliken of Malden moved to substitute a "Bill giving to women qualified to vote for members of the school committee in any city or town the right to vote on the question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors in such city or town." On motions of Mr. Symonds of Salem it was voted that debate on this question be closed at quarter before five o'clock, unless a vote should be sooner reached, and that speeches be limited to ten minutes each. After debate, the yeas and nays were ordered on the substitution of the bill, at the request of Mr. Milliken, and, the roll being called, the bill was substituted, and was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading, by a vote of 118 yeas to 95 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, Charles E.

Allen, John J.

Allen, Montessor T.

Armstrong, William O.

Atherton, Horace H.

Babbitt, Rollin H.

Barrett, William E.

Bartlett, Joseph F.

Bixby, Charles C.

Bottum, John B.

Brackett, Albert A.

Breed, Arthur B.

Brigham, Arthur A.

Brooks, A. Olin

Burnham, William Howe

Butler, William A.

Call, Charles A.

Cannell, Joseph H.

Carpenter, George N.

Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.

Church, Moses D.

Clark, David H.

Clark, Henry

Close, George

Colby, John F.

Conwell, David

Coolidge, George H.

Messrs. Cutler, Samuel

Dame, Luther

Davis, Edmund A.

Dennis, George

Dexter, Solomon K.

Dresser, Theodore P.

Eldridge, Albert R.

Fales, Frank A.

Ferry, William F.

Finney, Elkanah

Fisher, Albert L.

Floyd, David, 2d

Fottler, Jacob

Frost, Henry

Gile, William A.

Gleason, Willard F.

Gordon, William, Jr.

Gunn, Daniel

Hartwell, Benjamin H.

Hatch, Franklin W.

Hathaway, James A.

Hayes, Elihu B.

Haynes, Henry D.

Henry, Robert

Hill, Luther

Hinchcliffe, William J.

Hitchcock, Calvin

Messrs. Hixon, William S.
 Holbrook, John A.
 Holman, Frank E.
 Hunt, George H.
 Kimball, John W.
 Leach, William T.
 Lovell, Clarence P.
 Lyman, Payson W.
 Manning, David, Jr.
 Martin, James P.
 McCall, Samuel W.
 McCarthy, Patrick
 Merrill, John F.
 Miller, Albert E.
 Milliken, Daniel L.
 Milne, John C.
 Morey, George F.
 Morton, Harrison E.
 Nelson, Sidney T.
 Pear, Isaac S.
 Peirson, Henry M.
 Perkins, Nathaniel R.
 Perry, George R.
 Plaisted, John W.
 Quincey, Josiah
 Raymond, Francis H.
 Richards, James H.
 Robinson, J. Henry
 Rogers, Joseph W.
 Rogers, Samuel N.
 Rogerson, William B.
 Rounsevell, Arthur G.

Messrs. Rugg, Charles P.
 Seavey, Charles W.
 Simonds, S. Dwight
 Slocum, Winfield S.
 Smith, Sidney P.
 Southwick, Benjamin F.
 Stimpson, Daniel P.
 Stowe, Elijah B.
 Story, Cyrus
 Taft, Robert L.
 Temple, Albert H.
 Thayer, Rufus A.
 Thompson, A. Cranston
 Thompson, Albert G.
 Tompkins, Isaac B.
 Turner, Henry A.
 Vanderhoop, Edwin D.
 Wadlin, Horace G.
 Wales, Abijah T.
 Walworth, Arthur C.
 Warden, Erskine
 Ware, M. Everett
 Waters, Franklin L.
 White, William L., Jr.
 Wilde, William A.
 Wiley, Albert L.
 Wilkinson, John W.
 Willis, Rufus H.
 Witt, Charles T.
 Woodward, Charles F.
 Wright, Arthur
 Wyman, Ferdinand A.

NAYS.

Messrs. Atwood, Harrison H.
 Backup, John
 Bennett, Charles H.
 Berry, Francis T.
 Blake, Edwin H.
 Blume, Andreas
 Boardman, Francis
 Brady, Peter J.
 Brewer, Edward W.
 Brown, John F.
 Calnan, Patrick J.
 Carey, William H.
 Carman, William A.
 Carney, Michael

Messrs. Carroll, Peter T.
 Clark, Schuyler
 Collison, Harvey N.
 Conroy, James
 Coveney, John W.
 Cronin, James M.
 Dame, Albert L.
 Desmond, Jeremiah
 Dewey, Wilson
 Doherty, John
 Dolan, Bernard
 Donovan, James
 Dunlea, James J.
 Eames, Harry M.

Messrs. Farren, Thomas G.	Messrs. Noonan, Thomas L.
Flynn, Edward J.	O'Brien, Dennis J.
Flynn, Thomas J.	O'Mealey, John W.
Friend, Henry	O'Neil, John W.
Gagan, Edward	O'Neill, Thomas F.
Garity, Michael	Parkman, Henry
Gibson, George W.	Poore, William H.
Gleason, Joseph H.	Preble, William H.
Greenwood, Morrill A.	Provin, William
Grosvenor, Charles F.	Qua, Francis W.
Haggerty, Charles	Quinn, Andrew
Hall, Frederick S.	Quinn, Dennis J.
Hastings, William H.	Quinn, Philip H.
Hayes, John E.	Raymond, Samuel M.
Hooper, George M.	Read, John
Jaques, Alden P.	Robinson, Ethan C.
Keane, Jeremiah J.	Russell, Alvin D.
Kearn, George H.	Russell, Irving L.
Kendall, Horace M.	Sanford, Alpheus
Kennedy, Patrick J.	Sanger, Chester F.
Kimball, Henry A.	Shepard, Charles F.
Knox, Charles H.	Slocum, George W.
Lally, James, Jr.	Spring, Charles E.
Leary, Edward J.	Sullivan, Michael F.
Lyons, Henry S.	Sullivan, Thomas F.
Manning, Albert S.	Symonds, Charles H.
McCooley, Thomas	Towne, Joseph L.
McDonald, Robert H.	Tyler, Ansel P.
McDonough, John H.	Upham, Samuel O.
McEnaney, Thomas O.	Wardwell, J. Otis
McEttrick, Michael J.	Wharton, William F.
Mellen, James H.	Winchester, Reuben
Miller, Lyman M.	Woods, Frank F.
Monahan, William H.	

Yeas, 118 ; nays, 95.

On this question, Messrs. Lothrop of Cohasset, Crowell of Dennis, Pinkerton of Worcester, Conant of Gardner and Whitcher of Stoneham, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired, respectively, with Messrs. E. J. Donovan of Boston, Delano of Marion, Pierce of Watertown, Driscoll of Lynn and Fisk of Boston.

Subsequently, the orders of the day having been disposed of, under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Wadlin of Reading, the bill was read a second time, and

pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, March 6, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

At thirty-eight minutes past four o'clock, adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, February 29, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

The Clerk announced the absence of the Speaker, and that Mr. Bottum of Northampton was designated by him to preside during his absence. Mr. Bottum accordingly took the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Rule 15 Suspended.

Mr. Dresser of Medford moved a suspension of Rule 15 on the Bill to establish a grade in the town of Medford. The motion prevailed and the bill was sent to the Senate.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Hatch of Marshfield, remonstrance of George Sampson and others against any law regulating the taking of lobsters. Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Fisk of Boston, petition of Hon. Augustus P. Martin and others in aid of the petition of Elmer H. Capen and others that the Governor be authorized to appoint a Solicitor-General for the Commonwealth, as provided for in the Constitution, and one or more Assistant Solicitors-General for each judicial district. Referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Bennett of Springfield, petition of Hose Company No. 6; by Mr. Conwell of Provincetown, petition of John Marshall and others; by Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, petition of Hook and Ladder Company No. 1, Chemical Engine Company No. 1, and Fire Engineers, of Brookline, — severally, in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others of Boston for the passage of an act appropriating \$10,000 annually to the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Municipal
suffrage for
women.

By Mr. Woods of Boston, petition of Anna L. Burroughs and others; and by Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, petition of Frank P. Goulding and others, — severally, for the enactment of a law enabling women to vote in all town and municipal elections.

Severally referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

Barney
McCabe.

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Barney McCabe for payment of bounty for military service during the war of the rebellion;

George
Leonard.

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, leave to withdraw, at their own request, on the petition of the selectmen of Foxborough for State aid to the family of George Leonard;

Compulsory
vaccination.

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George Dutton and others for the repeal of the compulsory vaccination laws; and

Public health.

Of the same committee, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's Address as relates to public health;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills :

Williams Mar-
ket Corporation.

To enlarge the purposes of the Williams Market Corporation of Boston and to authorize the issue of additional stock by said corporation; and

Temporary
Home for the
Destitute.

To change the name of the Temporary Home for the Destitute;

Severally reported on petitions and severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Massachusetts
State Firemen's
Association.

Petitions of Engine Company No. 1, and J. S. Hynes and others of Salem, — severally, in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others for an annual appropriation for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association, to aid firemen injured while in discharge of their duties, were severally referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Delano of Marion, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to protecting the fishing for striped bass in the waters of the island of Cuttyhunk.

Striped bass
fishing in the
waters of the
island of
Cuttyhunk.

By Mr. Crowell of Dennis, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the repeal of all the statutes in regard to the taking of lobsters, excepting those in regard to seed-bearing lobsters.

Lobsters.

By Mr. Riddell of Nantucket, from the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Dexter H. Follett, Captain of Battery A, 1st Battalion Light Artillery, that said battery be reimbursed for damage done to a horse at the annual encampment, July, 1887.

Battery A,
First Battalion
Light Artillery.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Rogers of Orleans, from the committee on the Liquor Law, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject-matter of the order relative to providing by law that in taking the vote upon the question, "Shall licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors be granted in this town or city?" each side of this question shall be represented by an election officer and the check-list shall be used, and recommending its reference to the committee on the Liquor Law. Read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Use of the
check-list in
voting on the
liquor question.

By Mr. Bottum of Northampton, from the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Resolve to confirm the acts of George W. Estabrook as a notary public.

George W.
Estabrook.

By Mr. Rogerson of Mansfield, from the committee on Drainage, on a petition, a Bill to give to the town of Quincy certain powers in relation to the brooks and streams therein.

Streams and
brooks in
Quincy.

By Mr. Quincy of Quincy, from the committee on Labor, on petitions and an order, a Bill to authorize the incorporation of labor or trade organizations.

Incorporation
of labor or trade
organizations.

By Mr. Brooks of Springfield, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the Springfield Home for Friendless Women and Children to hold additional real and personal estate.

Springfield
Home for
Friendless
Women and
Children.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Bills Enacted.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To amend the charter of the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy ;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the district court of Northern Berkshire ;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the district court of Western Hampden ;

To amend section 5 of chapter 214 of the Acts of the year 1887, relating to clerical assistance in the Insurance Department ;

To incorporate the Spencer Farmers' and Mechanics' Association ;

To supply the town of Brookfield with pure water ;

To authorize the city of Newton to make an additional water loan ;

To incorporate the State Street Exchange ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

Concerning the salary of the late Benjamin Cushing, a principal assessor of the city of Boston ;

To amend an act relating to safety appliances in hotels and public buildings ;

Concerning the publication and distribution of the manual for the General Court ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

*Discharged from the Orders.*Railroad Commissioners —
rates of fares
on railroads.

On motions of Mr. Grosvenor of Ludlow, the report of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that the recommendations of the Railroad Commissioners as to fares on railroads shall be binding upon the railroads, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Fall River
court house.

On motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, the Bill to amend an act relative to the erection of a court house in Fall River was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was laid on the table, on further motion of the same gentleman.

On motion of Mr. Whitchee of Stoneham, the Bill to incorporate the Boston Suburban Land Company was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was laid on the table, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Boston
Suburban Land
Company.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on Probate and Insolvency, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Henry O. Downing for legislation relative to granting administration on the estate of deceased persons, was accepted.

Orders of the
Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Frederick B. Kellogg for money alleged to be due him from the State ;

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of William N. Davenport and others for an increase of salary of the clerk of the police court of Marlborough ; and

Of the committee on Water Supply, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Edward B. Howland and others for an act of incorporation as the Sandwich Water Company ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing for the payment of salaries to members of the common council of the city of Boston ; and

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John McDevitt for the payment of a bounty for service in the United States navy during the late rebellion, as a part of the quota of this Commonwealth ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To amend an act to incorporate the Newburyport and Amesbury Horse Railroad Company ;

To provide an additional water supply for the town of Brookline ;

To amend section 20 of chapter 104 of the Public Statutes relating to fire-resisting curtains in theatres ;

To amend sections 66 and 67 of chapter 207 of the Public Statutes relating to fighting of dogs and other animals ;

To incorporate the Boston Real Estate Association of Boston ;

To amend an act establishing the First District Court of Northern Worcester ;

Concerning the negotiability of certain promissory notes and other instruments ;

To establish the salaries of the first and second clerks of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor ;

To incorporate the Vineyard Haven Gas and Electric Company ; and

Relating to the members of the corporation of savings banks (amended on motion of Mr. Read of Cambridge) ; and

Resolves :

In favor of Mélanie Demasuer ;

In favor of the city of Springfield ;

Providing for certain repairs and improvements at the State Industrial School for Girls ;

In favor of Orestes M. Pratt, George E. Worthen, Charles Wilson, Charles H. Richardson, Martin H. Leighton and Frank E. Cleaveland (amended on motions of Mr. Woodward of Wakefield) ; and

In favor of Fanny Ross ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to change the name of the Dakota Mortgage Loan Corporation and to grant it additional powers was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Blume of Boston, laid on the table.

The Bill to amend sections 40 and 41 of chapter 116 of the Public Statutes in relation to the annual reports of savings banks and institutions for savings was further considered, amended on motion of Mr. Read of Cambridge, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to change the name of the Jeffries Club of Boston was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to amend the act of incorporation of Mount Holyoke Female Seminary was read a third time, amended as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, as amended, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

The Bill to extend the jurisdiction of actions of tort brought for injuries received through defects in the public ways or bridges was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. The bill recommended as an amendment by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading was substituted therefor, and, after debate, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

At thirty-one minutes past four o'clock, adjourned.

THURSDAY, March 1, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. David Bremner of Boxford.

Petitions Presented.

Tenure of office
of policemen in
the city of
Lynn.

By Mr. Breed of Lynn, petition of the city of Lynn, that, if authority is granted to make the tenure of office of policemen of the city of Lynn permanent, the act shall be submitted to the people of said city for approval at the municipal election of 1888. Referred to the committee on Cities.

Scallops.

By Mr. Riddell of Nantucket, petition of L. Bunker and 30 others, that the close season on scallops may be extended one month. Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Destruction of
seals.

By Mr. Finney of Plymouth, petition of W. S. Hadaway and others for legislation concerning the destruction of seals in this Commonwealth. Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Solicitor-
General and
Assistant Solic-
itors-General.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, petition of W. H. Brackett and others of Boston for the appointment of a Solicitor-General and Assistant Solicitors-General. Referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Water gas.

By Mr. Hill of Spencer, petition of Whitten, Burdett & Young and Miner, Beal & Hackett and 638 others; by Mr. Wales of Attleborough, petition of John E. Fitzgerald and 159 others; by Mr. Bottum of Northampton, petition of Benedict & Burnham Manufacturing Company and 594 others; and by Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, petition of R. H. White & Company and 639 others, — severally, that the law be amended so as to permit the manufacture of water gas without penalty for illuminating purposes.

Severally referred to the committee on Manufactures.

By Mr. Lyman of Belchertown, petition of the First Parish of West Roxbury for legislation to enable it to adopt such by-laws as it could if organized under the general laws. First Parish of West Roxbury.

By Mr. Champlin of Chelsea, petition of John T. Hadaway and others for an act to confirm and make valid the sale of property by the First Baptist Church of Chelsea. First Baptist Church of Chelsea.

Severally referred to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule in each case.

By Mr. McCall of Winchester, petition of Hose Company No. 3 of Arlington; and by Mr. Risteen of Amesbury, petitions of Fearless Hose Company and other fire companies of Amesbury,—severally, in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others of Boston for the passage of an act appropriating \$10,000 annually to the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association. Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

By Mr. Milliken of Malden, petition of Henry B. Blackwell and others for general woman suffrage. Woman suffrage.

By Mr. Blake of Bedford, petition of E. C. Damon and others of Westvale; and by Mr. Gracey of Salem, petition of Harriet A. Rogers and 205 others,—severally, for the enactment of a law enabling women to vote in all town and municipal elections. Municipal suffrage for women.

Severally referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Orders.

The following order offered by Mr. Wadlin of Reading was adopted, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence:—

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of issuing a printed digest of the decisions of the Board of Railroad Commissioners from 1870 to 1887, both inclusive, the expense thereof being borne by the several corporations owning or operating railroads or street railways as provided by the Public Statutes, chapter 112, section 12. Digest of decisions of Railroad Commissioners from 1870 to 1887.

Town meet-
ing, — hour of
meeting.

On motion of Mr. Lothrop of Cohasset, —
Ordered, That when the House adjourns on Friday,
March 2, it be to meet on Tuesday, March 6, at 2 o'clock
P. M.

Taken from the Table.

City Library of
Lowell.

On motion of Mr. Ware of Boston, the motion to re-
consider the vote whereby the House, on Thursday, Feb.
16, refused to concur with the Senate in the suspension of
the 12th Joint Rule on the petition of the Mayor of the
city of Lowell for an Act incorporating the Board of Trus-
tees of the City Library of Lowell, was taken from the
table and was adopted. The question recurring on con-
curring with the Senate in the suspension of the 12th
Joint Rule, the House concurred, and the petition was
referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Education.

Dakota Mort-
gage Loan
Corporation.

On motion of Mr. Milne of Fall River, the Bill to
change the name of the Dakota Mortgage Loan Corpora-
tion, and to grant it additional powers, was taken from
the table, and, pending the question on ordering to a third
reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman,
referred to the committee on Banks and Banking, and
sent up for concurrence in the reference.

Papers from the Senate.

Bills :

Jury list of the
city of Boston.

Relative to the preparation and revision of the list of
the jurors in the city of Boston ;

Gloucester.

To enable the city of Gloucester to issue bonds, notes
and scrip for the payment of its indebtedness ;

Taunton water
loan.

To authorize the city of Taunton to increase its water
loan ; and

Essex, — shad
fisheries in Mill
River.

For the protection of the shad fisheries in Mill River
and its tributaries, in the town of Essex ;

Severally reported on petitions and severally passed to
be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and
ordered to a second reading.

District
police, —
examination of
pawn shops.

A Bill to authorize the district police to enter and ex-
amine pawn shops, passed to be engrossed by the Senate,
was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Charles F.
Chamberlayne.

The House petition of Charles F. Chamberlayne for
confirmation of his acts as a trial justice came down con-
curred in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Smith of Athol, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that in towns of 10,000 population and upwards the selectmen of said towns may establish proper regulations and rules for the erection of all buildings, and a petition relative to the same subject.

Rules and regulations for the erection of buildings in towns.

By Mr. Brewer of Boston, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to authorizing judges of probate to license the sale of real estate to pay debts and legacies although the personal estate be sufficient in amount for such purpose.

Sales of real estate for the payment of debts and legacies.

By Mr. Seavey of Medway, from the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to an investigation by the Board of Health or otherwise regarding the use and abuse of opium and other like narcotics and of further legislation to prevent such abuse.

State Board of Health, — use and abuse of opium.

By Mr. Fottler of Boston, from the committee on State House, no legislation necessary, on the report of the State House Commission of the work performed and the expenditures made by it during the year ending December 31, 1887.

Work performed and expenditures made by the State House Commission during the year 1887.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Lyman of Belchertown, from the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, leave to withdraw, at their own request, on the petition of the First Parish of West Roxbury for legislation to enable it to become a religious society. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, and sent up for concurrence.

First Parish of West Roxbury.

By Mr. Hooper of Bridgewater, from the committee on Education, on an order, a Resolve relative to the tenure of office of school superintendents.

Tenure of office of school superintendents.

By Mr. Driscoll of Lynn, from the committee on the Liquor Law, on an order, a Bill to regulate the issuing of liquor licenses to be exercised in dwelling-houses.

Liquor licenses, — dwelling-houses.

By Mr. Finney of Plymouth, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition (recommitted), a Bill to authorize the town of Randolph to make an additional water loan.

Randolph water bonds.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Report of the
State Board
of Arbitration.

By Mr. Kimball of Northampton, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve providing for printing additional copies of the annual report of the State Board of Arbitration ought to pass.

Report of the
Board of Gas
Commissioners.

By Mr. Dexter of Lowell, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Bill to authorize the printing of additional copies of the annual report of the Board of Gas Commissioners ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Report of the
State Board of
Arbitration.

By Mr. Hartwell of Ayer, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill concerning the printing and distribution of the annual report of the State Board of Arbitration ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

Taunton Lunatic
Hospital.

By Mr. Robinson of Southborough, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the thirty-fourth annual report of the trustees of the Taunton Lunatic Hospital, in part, and on a petition, a Resolve providing for certain changes and improvements at the Taunton Lunatic Hospital. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

To amend section sixteen of chapter one hundred and fifty of the Public Statutes relating to appeals ;

To establish the salary of the sheriff of the county of Middlesex ;

Authorizing the county commissioners of Essex County to reimburse the city of Lawrence for a portion of the expense of rebuilding the Lawrence and Andover bridges in said city ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To confirm the sale of the Springfield and New London Railroad to the New York and New England Railroad Company (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

Providing for printing five hundred extra copies of the report of the State Board of Health on the protection of the purity of inland waters ; and

Providing for the printing of twelve hundred extra copies of the report of the Board of Registration in Dentistry ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to protecting the fishing for striped bass in the waters of the island of Cuttyhunk ; and

On an order relative to the repeal of all the statutes in regard to the taking of lobsters, excepting those in regard to seed-bearing lobsters ; and

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Dexter H. Follett, Captain of Battery A, 1st Battalion Light Artillery, that said battery be reimbursed for damage done to a horse at the annual encampment, July, 1887 ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Barney McCabe for payment of bounty for military service during the war of the rebellion ;

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, leave to withdraw, at their own request, on the petition of the selectmen of Foxborough for State aid to the family of George Leonard ;

Of the committee on Public Health, leave to withdraw, on the petition of George Dutton and others for the repeal of the compulsory vaccination laws ; and

Of the same committee, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's Address as relates to public health ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To give to the town of Quincy certain powers in relation to brooks and streams therein ;

To authorize the incorporation of labor or trade organizations ;

To authorize the Springfield Home for Friendless Women and Children to hold additional real and personal estate ;

To enlarge the purposes of the Williams Market Corporation of Boston, and to authorize the issue of additional stock by said corporation ; and

To change the name of the Temporary Home for the Destitute ; and the

Resolve to confirm the acts of George W. Estabrook as a notary public.

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To amend an act to incorporate the Newburyport and Amesbury Horse Railroad Company ;

To provide an additional water supply for the town of Brookline ;

To amend section 20 of chapter 104 of the Public Statutes relating to fire-resisting curtains in theatres.

To amend sections 66 and 67 of chapter 207 of the Public Statutes relating to the fighting of birds, dogs and other animals (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

To incorporate the Boston Real Estate Association of Boston ;

To amend an act establishing the First District Court of Northern Worcester ;

Concerning the negotiability of certain promissory notes and other instruments ; and

Resolves :

In favor of Mélanie Demasuer ;

In favor of the city of Springfield ;

Providing for certain repairs and improvements at the State Industrial School for Girls ; and

In favor of Ornew Yd. Pratt. George E. Worthen, Charles Wilson, Charles H. Richardson, Martin H. Leighton and Frank E. Cleaveland ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To establish the salaries of the first and second clerks of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor; and

To incorporate the Vineyard Haven Gas and Electric Company (amended as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading); and a

Resolve in favor of Fanny Ross;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, the last-named bill being sent up for concurrence in the amendments.

At twelve minutes before three o'clock, adjourned.

FRIDAY, March 2, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

The Clerk announced the absence of the Speaker, and that Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill was designated by him to preside during his absence. Mr. Wardwell accordingly took the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

Australian
system of
voting.

By Mr. Collison of Boston, petition of Benjamin Price and others; and by Mr. Hayes of Lynn, petition of Charles E. Houghton and others, — severally, in favor of the Australian system of voting, so that ballots may be printed at the public expense and distributed by a public officer.

Severally referred to the committee on Election Laws.

Employment of
women and
minors in man-
ufacturing and
mechanical
establishments.

By Mr. Keane of Holyoke, petition of Maurice Mitchell and others that women and children shall not be required to work more than fifty-six and one-half hours in any one week in manufacturing and mechanical establishments. Referred to the committee on Labor.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Taken from the Table.

Examining
boards of the
militia.

On motions of Mr. Bartlett of Montague, the report of the committee on Military Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 53 of chapter 411 of the Acts of 1887 relating to examining boards of the militia, was taken from the table, and postponed for consideration until Wednesday, to be placed in the orders of the day for that day.

Returns of
registered
female voters
for school
committee.

On motions of Mr. Brown of Boston, the returns of the number of registered female voters for school committee for the years 1881 to 1887, inclusive, and also the number who have exercised the privilege of voting were taken from the table and referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage, and sent up for concurrence.

*Papers from the Senate.***Reports :**

Of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing for the appointment by the mayor of Boston, of a Board of Charity Commissioners, who shall perform all the duties now devolving on the Overseers of the Poor, and the petitions relative thereto ; and

Board of
Charity Com-
missioners for
the city of Bos-
ton.

Of the committee on Railroads, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's Address as relates to railroads ;

Railroads.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Tuesday.

A Bill to further amend an act to supply the village of Mansfield with water, reported on a petition, and passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Mansfield
Water Supply
District,—
village of
Mansfield.

Petitions of N. G. Smith and others ; of Seth W. Fowle & Sons and others ; of Chase & Sanborn and others ; and of John H. Pray, Sons & Co. and others, — severally, that the law be amended so as to permit the manufacture, without penalty, of water gas for illuminating purposes, were severally referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Manufactures.

Water gas.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Wright of Westford, from the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to establishing an advanced course of instruction in connection with the public school system.

Advanced
course of
instruction in
connection with
the public
school system.

By Mr. Leach of Boston, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of D. W. C. Farrington that the Lowell Gun Company may be dissolved.

Lowell Gun
Company.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of D. W. C. Farrington that the United States Cartridge Company may be dissolved.

United States
Cartridge
Company.

By Mr. Cutler of Somerville, from the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles D. Jenkins for increase of salary for the assistant inspector of gas meters and illuminating gas.

Charles D.
Jenkins—salary
of the assistant
inspector of
gas meters
and illuminating
gas.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Tuesday.

Public cemeteries in the town of Winchester.

By Mr. Flynn of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill relating to the public cemeteries in the town of Winchester.

Buzzard's Bay, — scallops.

By Mr. Delano of Marion, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, on petitions, a Bill relating to the taking of scallops in the head-waters of Buzzard's Bay.

Topographical survey and map of Massachusetts.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, from the committee on Finance, on the report of the Commissioners of the State Topographical Survey for the year 1887, in part, a Resolve in relation to the topographical survey and map of Massachusetts.

Officers' houses at the State Prison.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the same committee, that the Resolve to authorize the erection of additional officers' houses at the State Prison at Boston ought to pass in a new draft with the title, "Resolve providing for the erection of additional houses for the use of the officers at the State Prison at Boston."

Supplements to the Public Statutes.

By Mr. Hartwell of Ayer, from the same committee, that the Bill to provide for the preparation and publication of supplements to the Public Statutes ought to pass in a new draft with the same title.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Extra clerical assistance in the office of the Insurance Commissioner.

By Mr. Sohier of Beverly, from the committee on Public Service, on the Bill (recommitted) making an additional appropriation for the Insurance Department, a Resolve providing for extra clerical assistance in the office of the Insurance Commissioner.

Stephen F. Sullivan.

By Mr. Southwick of Peabody, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Stephen F. Sullivan.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Bills Enacted.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To incorporate the Security Savings Bank in the town of West Boylston ;

To incorporate the Oxford Agricultural Society ;

To establish a grade in the town of Medford ;

To confirm the proceedings of the town meeting of the town of Attleborough held on the thirtieth day of July, in the year eighteen hundred and eighty-seven ;

To incorporate the Workingmen's Building Association ;

Making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year and for certain other expenses authorized by law ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

Relating to regular meetings of the boards of trustees of savings banks and institutions for savings ;

To change the name of the West Amesbury Manufacturing Company ;

Relating to the investments of savings banks ; and

To authorize Lucius M. Sheldon to build a bridge or causeway across a tide-water creek at Westport Point in the town of Westport ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the providing that in towns of 10,000 population and upwards the selectmen of said towns may establish proper regulations and rules for the erection of all buildings, and a petition relative to the same subject ; and

Orders of the Day.

Of the committee on Probate and Insolvency, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to authorizing judges of probate to license the sale of real estate to pay debts and legacies, although the personal estate be sufficient in amount for such purpose ;

Were severally accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to an investigation by the Board of Health or otherwise regarding the use and abuse of opium and other narcotics, and of further legislation to prevent such abuse ; and

Of the committee on State House, no legislation necessary, on the report of the State House Commission of the work performed and the expenditures made by it during the year ending Dec. 31, 1887 ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the town of Randolph to make an additional water loan ;

To regulate the issuing of liquor licenses to be exercised in dwelling-houses ;

To authorize the printing of additional copies of the annual report of the Board of Gas Commissioners ;

Relative to the preparation and revision of the list of the jurors in the city of Boston ;

To enable the city of Gloucester to issue bonds, notes and scrip for the payment of its indebtedness ;

To authorize the city of Taunton to increase its water loan ; and

For the protection of the shad fisheries in Mill River and its tributaries, in the town of Essex ; and

Resolves :

Providing for printing additional copies of the annual report of the State Board of Arbitration ; and

Relative to the tenure of office of school superintendents ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill concerning the printing and distribution of the annual report of the State Board of Arbitration, was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Lally of Milford, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Finance.

Bills :

To give to the town of Quincy certain powers in relation to brooks and streams therein ;

To authorize the incorporation of labor or trade organizations ;

To authorize the Springfield Home for Friendless Women and Children to hold additional real and personal estate ; and the

Resolve to confirm the acts of George W. Estabrook as a notary public ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To enlarge the purposes of the Williams Market Corporation of Boston and to authorize the issue of additional stock by said corporation ;

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To change the name of the Temporary Home for the Destitute ; and

Relating to the members of the corporation of savings banks (amended as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, the last-named bill being sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

At twenty-six minutes past two o'clock, adjourned.

TUESDAY, March 6, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Petitions Presented.***Destruction of
seals.**

By Mr. Hatch of Marshfield, petition of the selectmen of Duxbury and others for a general law offering a bounty for the destruction of seals. Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

**Employment of
women and
minors in manu-
facturing and
mechanical es-
tablishments.**

By Mr. Coveney of Cambridge, petition of W. B. Patison and others; and by Mr. Carey of Dalton, petition of Nellie Buckley and others,—severally, in aid of legislation to reduce the hours of labor to fifty-six and one-half weekly for women and children employed in manufacturing and mechanical establishments.

Severally referred to the committee on Labor.

**Massachusetts
State Firemen's
Association.**

By Mr. Nelson of Lakeville, petition of Fire Engineers and others of Middleborough; and by Mr. Brigham of Marlborough, petitions of Fire Engineers of Marlborough and David Lynch and others, J. E. Curtis and others, R. D. S. Mortimer and others, H. H. Dickey and others, and Hose Company No. 1 and others of Marlborough,—severally, in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others of Boston for the passage of an act appropriating \$10,000 annually to the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

**Additional
water supply
for the city of
Malden.**

By Mr. Wilde of Malden, petition of the City of Malden for right to secure additional water supply from springs or driven wells and to issue bonds therefor to an amount not exceeding \$100,000. Referred to the committee on Water Supply, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct, and sent up for concurrence.

Order.

On motion of Mr. James Donovan of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of requesting the Supreme Judicial Court to give an opinion on the following important question of law : —

Opinion of the Supreme Judicial Court on the law concerning the sale of intoxicating liquors on election days.

Do the provisions of Chapter 216 of the Acts of the year 1885, being “An Act prohibiting the sale or delivery of intoxicating liquors on election days,” apply to special elections held in the wards, or the aldermanic, senatorial, councillor and congressional districts in the cities of this Commonwealth?

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Barrett of Melrose, the Bill to incorporate the Boston Suburban Land Company was taken from the table, and, pending the question on ordering it to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, recommitted to the committee on Mercantile Affairs, with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct, and sent up for concurrence.

Boston Suburban Land Company.

On motions of Mr. Wilde of Malden, the report of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the examination of teachers of common schools and the certificates thereof, was taken from the table and was placed in the orders of the day and postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

Examination of teachers of common schools.

*Papers from the Senate.**Reports :*

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to changing the manner of electing directors or managers of corporations and associations ; and

Elections of directors or managers of corporations and associations.

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to repealing the provisions of section 18 of chapter 84 of the Public Statutes relating to temporary aid to State paupers ;

Temporary aid to State paupers.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills :**Beverly Farms.**

To incorporate the town of Beverly Farms (reported on petitions), [Messrs. Champlin of Chelsea and Coveney of Cambridge, of the House, dissenting, and submitting their views, which are printed as Senate No. 48] ; and

Cambridge water supply.

To provide a reservoir for the city of Cambridge, and to better preserve the purity of its water supply, (reported on a petition) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Salary of the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

A Bill to establish the salary of the Secretary of the Commonwealth (reported on an order), was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Expenditures.

Employment of women and children in manufacturing and mechanical establishments.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence : —

Petition of Thomas Ludden and one hundred others to reduce the hours of labor to fifty-six and one-half weekly for women and children employed in manufacturing and mechanical establishments. To the committee on Labor.

Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

Petitions of J. H. Orne and others and Benjamin F. Goodwin and others, — severally, in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others for an annual appropriation for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association, to aid firemen injured while in discharge of their duties.

Severally to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

*Reports of Committees.***Fences and other structures erected to annoy adjoining owners.**

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the erection of fences and other structures to annoy adjoining owners.

District court of Central Middlesex.

By Mr. Collison of Boston, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the jurisdiction of the district court of Central Middlesex, also the territory comprising the same.

Chief of State Police,—extension of hours of labor.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, from the committee on Labor, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of F. A. Kennedy Company and others, for legislation, authorizing the chief of the State Police to grant special permits to extend the hours of labor.

By Mr. Norwood of Hamilton, from the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the salary of the chief examiner of the Civil Service Commissioners.

Salary of the chief examiner of the Civil Service Commissioners.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, from the committee on Expenditures, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition of Nathan Weston, assignee of George M. Weston, for compensation for services performed by said George M. Weston in procuring the passage by Congress in 1859 of a resolve under which the Commonwealth of Massachusetts received the amount of her claim for money expended for the general government during the war of 1812, and recommending its reference to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Nathan Weston.

By Mr. Quincy of Quincy, from the committee on Labor, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject-matter of the order relative to providing for half-time schools for children employed in factories and other workshops of the Commonwealth, and recommending that it be referred to the committee on Education.

Half-time schools for children employed in factories and workshops.

Severally read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Cheney of Worcester, from the committee on Cities, on petitions, a Bill to authorize the city of Worcester to borrow money for the purposes of public parks.

Public parks for the city of Worcester.

By Mr. Quincy of Quincy, from the committee on Labor, on an order, a Bill to secure proper sanitary provisions and proper ventilation in public buildings and schoolhouses.

Ventilation in public buildings and school-houses.

By Mr. Fisher of Grafton, from the committee on Prisons, on an order, a Bill to authorize the county commissioners of Worcester County to enlarge the jail and house of correction at Fitchburg.

Worcester County jail and house of correction at Fitchburg.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Hartwell of Ayer, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve providing for extra clerical assistance in the office of the Insurance Commissioner ought to pass.

Clerical assistance in the office of the Insurance Commissioner.

Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Appropriation
bill.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making an appropriation for the payment of the counsel employed by the Governor to assist in defence of actions brought to recover national bank taxes. Read and ordered to a second reading. On motion of Mr. Ware of Boston, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed and sent at once to the Senate for concurrence, Rule 15 having been suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Monson Water
Company.

By Mr. Clark of Huntington, from the committee on Water Supply, that the Bill (recommitted) to incorporate the Monson Water Company ought to pass, with amendments. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the main question being on ordering the bill to a third reading.

Bills Enacted.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To amend the charter of the Hawes Place Congregational Society ; and

To authorize the trustees of the Greene Foundation to hold additional real estate ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to establishing an advanced course of instruction in connection with the public school system ;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw :

On the petition of D. W. C. Farrington that the Lowell Gun Company may be dissolved ; and

On the petition of D. W. C. Farrington that the United States Cartridge Company may be dissolved ; and

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles D. Jenkins for increase of salary for the assistant inspector of gas meters and illuminating gas ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing for the appointment by the mayor of Boston of a Board of Charity Commissioners, who shall perform all the duties now devolving on the Overseers of the Poor (and the petitions in relation thereto), was accepted, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Railroads, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's Address as relates to railroads, was considered, and, after debate, was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Parkman of Boston.

Bills :

Relating to the taking of scallops in the head-waters of Buzzard's Bay ;

To provide for the preparation and publication of supplements to the Public Statutes (amended on motion of Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester) ;

Relating to the public cemeteries in the town of Winchester ; and

To further amend an act to supply the village of Mansfield with water ; and

Resolves :

Providing for the erection of additional houses for the use of the officers of the State Prison at Boston ; and

In relation to the topographical survey and map of Massachusetts ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To authorize the town of Randolph to make an additional water loan ;

To regulate the granting of liquor licenses to be exercised in dwelling-houses (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ; and the

Resolve providing for printing fifteen hundred extra copies of the annual report of the State Board of Arbitration (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the printing of additional copies of the annual report of the Board of Gas Commissioners ;

Relative to the preparation and revision of the list of the jurors in the city of Boston ;

To authorize the city of Taunton to increase its water loan ; and

For the protection of the shad fisheries in Mill River and its tributaries, in the town of Essex ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Resolve relative to the tenure of office of school superintendents was read a third time, amended, as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, by substituting therefor a resolve with the title "Resolve authorizing the State Board of Education to consider the expediency of providing for the tenure of office of superintendents of schools in cities and towns of ten thousand and more inhabitants," and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill giving to women qualified to vote for members of the school committee in any city or town the right to vote on the question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors in such city or town was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. On motion of Mr. Dresser of Medford, it was voted that debate be closed at fifteen minutes past four o'clock, unless a vote should be sooner reached, and that speeches be limited to ten minutes each. After debate, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Morey of Lowell, and the roll being called the bill was ordered to a third reading by a vote of 109 yeas to 95 nays, as follows :—

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, Charles E.

Allen, John J.

Armstrong, William O.

Atherton, Horace H.

Babbitt, Rollin H.

Barrett, William E.

Bartlett, Joseph F.

Bixby, Charles C.

Bottum, John B.

Messrs. Brackett, Albert A.

Breed, Arthur B.

Brigham, Arthur A.

Burnham, William Howe

Butler, William A.

Carpenter, George N.

Champlin, Arthur B.

Church, Moses D.

Clark, David H.

Messrs. Clark, Henry

Close, George
 Conwell, David
 Coolidge, George H.
 Crowell, Joshua
 Cutler, Samuel
 Dame, Luther
 Davis, Edmund A.
 Dennis, George
 Dexter, Solomon K.
 Dresser, Theodore P.
 Eldridge, Albert R.
 Fales, Frank A.
 Ferry, William F.
 Floyd, David, 2d
 Fottler, Jacob
 Frost, Henry
 Gile, William A.
 Gleason, Willard F.
 Goss, Charles
 Gracey, Samuel L.
 Gunn, Daniel
 Hartwell, Benjamin H.
 Hatch, Franklin W.
 Hathaway, James A.
 Hayes, Elihu B.
 Haynes, Henry D.
 Henry, Robert
 Hill, Luther
 Hinchcliffe, William J.
 Hitchcock, Calvin
 Hixon, William S.
 Holbrook, John A.
 Holman, Frank E.
 Hunt, George H.
 Kimball, John W.
 Leach, William T.
 Lothrop, J. Q. A.
 Lovell, Clarence P.
 Lyman, Payson W.
 Manning, David, Jr.
 Martin, James P.
 McCall, Samuel W.
 Merrill, John F.
 Miller, Albert E.
 Milliken, Daniel L.

Messrs. Milne, John C.

Morey, George F.
 Morton, Harrison E.
 Nelson, Sidney T.
 Peirson, Henry M.
 Perkins, Nathaniel R.
 Perry, George R.
 Pinkerton, Alfred S.
 Plaisted, John W.
 Quincy, Josiah
 Raymond Francis H.
 Richards, James H.
 Robinson, J. Henry
 Rogers, Joseph W.
 Rogers, Samuel N.
 Rogerson, William B.
 Rugg, Charles P.
 Seavey, Charles W.
 Simonds, S. Dwight
 Slocum, Winfield S.
 Southwick, Benjamin F.
 Stimpson, Daniel P.
 Stowe, Elijah B.
 Story, Cyrus
 Taft, Robert L.
 Temple, Albert H.
 Thayer, Rufus A.
 Thompson, A. Cranston
 Thompson, Albert G.
 Tompkins, Isaac B.
 Trull, George W.
 Vanderhoop, Edwin D.
 Wadlin, Horace G.
 Wales, Abijah T.
 Walworth, Arthur C.
 Warden, Erskine
 Waters, Franklin L.
 Whitchee, James E.
 Wilde, William A.
 Wiley, Albert L.
 Wilkinson, John W.
 Willis, Rufus H.
 Witt, Charles T.
 Wright, Arthur
 Wyman, Ferdinand A.

NAYS.

Messrs. Atwood, Harrison H.	Messrs. Leary, Edward J.
Backup, John	McCooley, Thomas
Bennett, Charles H.	McDonald, Robert H.
Berry, Francis T.	McDonough, John H.
Blake, Edwin H.	McEnaney, Thomas O.
Blume, Andreas	McEttrick, Michael J.
Boardman, Francis	Mellen, James H.
Brady, Peter J.	Miller, Lyman M.
Brewer, Edward W.	Monahan, William H.
Brooks, A. Olin	Morin, John M.
Brown, John F.	Noonan, Thomas L.
Call, Charles A.	Norwood, Caleb J.
Calnan, Patrick J.	O'Brien, Dennis J.
Carey, William H.	O'Mealey, John W.
Carman, William A.	O'Neil, John W.
Carney, Michael	O'Neill, Thomas F.
Carroll, Peter T.	Parkman, Henry
Clark, Schuyler	Pierce, Charles Q.
Conroy, James	Poore, William H.
Coveney, John W.	Pratt, Harvey H.
Dame, Albert L.	Preble, William H.
Desmond, Jeremiah	Provin, William
Dewey, Wilson	Quinn, Andrew
Doherty, John	Quinn, Dennis J.
Donovan, Edward J.	Quinn, Philip H.
Donovan, James	Raymond, Samuel M.
Driscoll, John	Read, John
Dunlea, James J.	Riddell, Henry
Eames, Harry M.	Robinson, Ethan C.
Farren, Thomas G.	Russell, Alvin D.
Fisk, Edward P.	Russell, Irving L.
Flynn, Edward J.	Sanford, Alpheus
Flynn, Thomas J.	Shepard, Charles F.
Friend, Henry	Slocum, George W.
Garity, Michael	Sohier, William D.
Gibson, George W.	Spring, Charles E.
Gleason, Joseph H.	Sullivan, Michael F.
Greenwood, Morrill A.	Sullivan, Thomas F.
Griswold, Freeman C.	Symonds, Charles H.
Grosvenor, Charles F.	Towne, Joseph L.
Hagerty, David J.	Tyler, Ansel P.
Hall, Frederick S.	Upham, Samuel O.
Hooper, George M.	Wardwell, J. Otis
Jaques, Alden P.	Wharton, William F.
Keane, Jeremiah J.	Winchester, Reuben
Kearn, George H.	Winthrop, John
Kimball, Henry A.	Woods, Frank F.
Lally, James, Jr.	

Yeas, 109 ; Nays, 95.

On this question Messrs. Conant of Gardner, Smith of Athol, McCarthy of Brockton, Finney of Plymouth, Pear of Cambridge, Fisher of Grafton, Cannell of Everett, Turner of South Scituate, White of Taunton, Cheney of Worcester and Colby of Boston, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired, respectively, with Messrs. Kendall of Fitchburg, Lyons of North Adams, Kennedy of Boston, Delano of Marion, Sanger of Cambridge, Haggerty of Southbridge, Manning of Andover, Haskell of Deerfield, Ware of Boston, Cronin of Worcester and Collison of Boston.

At five o'clock, adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, March 7, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

Lobsters.

By Mr. Vanderhoop of Gay Head, remonstrance of Hiram Luce and others against any law regulating the taking of lobsters. Referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Massachusetts
State Firemen's
Association.

By Mr. Pratt of Abington, petition of Hose Company No. 1 and Hook and Ladder Company No. 1 of Abington; by Mr. Sohler of Beverly, petition of Fire Engineers and others of Beverly; by Mr. Boardman of Marblehead, petition of Steamer Company No. 1; by Mr. McDonald of Great Barrington, petition of Hose Company No. 1; by Mr. Ferry of Springfield, petition of Fred. E. Knight and others; and by Mr. Holman of Clinton, petition of Wilson Morse and others, — severally, in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others of Boston for the passage of an act appropriating \$10,000 annually to the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. Walworth of Newton, was adopted, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence: —

Armories.

Ordered, That the committee on Military Affairs consider the expediency of legislation for constructing or securing regimental, battalion or company armories for the use of the militia.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports:

Boston, — transfer of certain powers from the board of aldermen to the common council.

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the president of the common council of the city of Boston for such alteration of the statutes as shall transfer certain powers now exercised by the Board of aldermen to the common council of that city;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of St. Francis de Sales Young Men's Catholic Total Abstinence and Literary Society of Charlestown for leave to hold real estate to the amount of \$50,000, and to issue mortgage bonds secured on said real estate ;

St. Francis de Sales Young Men's Catholic Abstinence and Literary Society.

Of the same committee, no legislation necessary, on the abstract of the certificates of corporations organized under the general laws of Massachusetts, together with the annual returns required by chapter 106 of the Public Statutes during the year 1887 ; and

Abstract of certificates of corporations.

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Franklin Gray and Henry A. Thayer for extra compensation for services rendered the county of Bristol by them as county commissioners during the erection of the House of Correction in New Bedford ;

Bristol county commissioners.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

A report of the committee on Banks and Banking, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of so much of the supplementary report of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks as relates to deposits of judges of probate, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Probate and Insolvency, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, in so much as relates to the discharge of the committee.

Supplementary report of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks.

A Bill to amend an act relating to the board of water commissioners of the city of Springfield (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Water commissioners of Springfield.

A Resolve in favor of Munroe Morris (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Munroe Morris

The House Bill to amend section 10 of chapter 203 of the Public Statutes, relating to the penalty for the crime of burglary, passed to be engrossed by the House, came down from the Senate, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain amendments. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendments.

Burglary.

Australian
system of
voting.

A petition of William Lagie and others for the establishment of the Australian system of voting, so that ballots may be printed at the public expense and distributed by a public officer, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Election Laws.

Reports of Committees.

Investments by
savings banks in
the bonds of
corporations in
other States.

By Mr. Witt of Boston, from the committee on Banks and Banking, inexpedient to legislate, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to savings banks and institutions for savings investing in the bonds of corporations in other States.

Savings banks
investments.

By Mr. Call of Springfield, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on petitions of Joseph S. Bradley and others for legislation concerning savings banks investments.

Ibid.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Joseph Jacobs, Jr., and others, that savings banks be authorized to increase the percentage of their investments in mortgages, bonds, etc., under certain conditions.

Ballot-boxes for
taking the vote
on granting
liquor licenses.

By Mr. Sanford of Boston, from the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the use, throughout the Commonwealth, of the ballot-box, approved and adopted by the Ballot-Box Commissioners, under authority of chapter 443 of the Acts of 1887, in taking the vote on the question of granting liquor licenses.

Fines for imper-
fect work.

By Mr. Tyler of Middleton, from the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation forbidding the imposition of fines, or other deduction of pay, for imperfect work, by any corporation chartered by or doing business in this Commonwealth.

Record of
officers and
enlisted men
who served
during the
war of the
rebellion.

By Mr. Southwick of Peabody, from the committee on Military Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to securing a more perfect record of the volunteer officers and enlisted men who served during the war of the rebellion.

Salary of the
second clerk of
the Commis-
sioners of
Savings Banks.

By Mr. Towne of Lynn, from the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the salary of the second clerk of the Commissioners of Savings Banks.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Sanford of Boston, from the committee on Election Laws, on an order, a Bill to enable towns to discontinue voting precincts. Precinct voting in towns.

By Mr. Atwood of Boston, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Postal Automatic Telegraph and Construction Company. Postal Automatic Telegraph and Construction Company.

By Mr. McDonough of Boston, from the committee on Railroads, on a petition, a Bill to permit the construction of a railroad across land of the Westborough Insane Hospital. Railroad across land of the Westborough Insane Hospital.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Dennis of Gloucester, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, on petitions, a Bill to provide a bounty for the destruction of seals. Destruction of seals.

By Mr. Quincy of Quincy, from the committee on Labor, on the annual report of the State Board of Arbitration, a Bill to amend section 1 of chapter 269 of the Acts of the year 1887 relating to the State Board of Arbitration and Conciliation. State Board of Arbitration and Conciliation.

By Mr. Woodward of Wakefield, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Louis A. Kent. Louis A. Kent.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Making an appropriation for the payment of counsel employed by the Governor to assist in defence of actions brought to recover national bank taxes ; Bills enacted.

To establish the salary of the justice of the police court of Lawrence ;

To establish the salary of the judge of Probate and Insolvency for the county of Essex ;

Requiring the city of New Bedford to establish a sinking fund from the receipts from water rates ;

To change the name of the Trustees of the Home for Aged Females in the city of Worcester ;

To incorporate the Workingmen's Loan Association ;

Providing for the registration and licensing of plumbers in the cities and towns of the Commonwealth ;

To divide the district police force into two departments ;

Australian
system of
voting.

A petition of William Lagie and others for the establishment of the Australian system of voting, so that ballots may be printed at the public expense and distributed by a public officer, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Election Laws.

Reports of Committees.

Investments by
savings banks in
the bonds of
corporations in
other States.

By Mr. Witt of Boston, from the committee on Banks and Banking, inexpedient to legislate, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to savings banks and institutions for savings investing in the bonds of corporations in other States.

Savings banks
investments.

By Mr. Call of Springfield, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on petitions of Joseph S. Bradley and others for legislation concerning savings banks investments.

Ibid.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Joseph Jacobs, Jr., and others, that savings banks be authorized to increase the percentage of their investments in mortgages, bonds, etc., under certain conditions.

Ballot-boxes for
taking the vote
on granting
liquor licenses.

By Mr. Sanford of Boston, from the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the use, throughout the Commonwealth, of the ballot-box, approved and adopted by the Ballot-Box Commissioners, under authority of chapter 443 of the Acts of 1887, in taking the vote on the question of granting liquor licenses.

Fines for imper-
fect work.

By Mr. Tyler of Middleton, from the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation forbidding the imposition of fines, or other deduction of pay, for imperfect work, by any corporation chartered by or doing business in this Commonwealth.

Record of
officers and
enlisted men
who served
during the
war of the
rebellion.

By Mr. Southwick of Peabody, from the committee on Military Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to securing a more perfect record of the volunteer officers and enlisted men who served during the war of the rebellion.

Salary of the
second clerk of
the Commis-
sioners of
Savings Banks.

By Mr. Towne of Lynn, from the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the salary of the second clerk of the Commissioners of Savings Banks.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Sanford of Boston, from the committee on Election Laws, on an order, a Bill to enable towns to dis-continue voting precincts. Precinct voting in towns.

By Mr. Atwood of Boston, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Postal Automatic Telegraph and Construction Company. Postal Automatic Telegraph and Construction Company.

By Mr. McDonough of Boston, from the committee on Railroads, on a petition, a Bill to permit the construction of a railroad across land of the Westborough Insane Hospital. Railroad across land of the Westborough Insane Hospital.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Dennis of Gloucester, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, on petitions, a Bill to provide a bounty for the destruction of seals. Destruction of seals.

By Mr. Quincy of Quincy, from the committee on Labor, on the annual report of the State Board of Arbitration, a Bill to amend section 1 of chapter 269 of the Acts of the year 1887 relating to the State Board of Arbitration and Conciliation. State Board of Arbitration and Conciliation.

By Mr. Woodward of Wakefield, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Louis A. Kent. Louis A. Kent.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills:

Making an appropriation for the payment of counsel employed by the Governor to assist in defence of actions brought to recover national bank taxes; Bills enacted.

To establish the salary of the justice of the police court of Lawrence;

To establish the salary of the judge of Probate and Insolvency for the county of Essex;

Requiring the city of New Bedford to establish a sinking fund from the receipts from water rates;

To change the name of the Trustees of the Home for Aged Females in the city of Worcester;

To incorporate the Workingmen's Loan Association;

Providing for the registration and licensing of plumbers in the cities and towns of the Commonwealth;

To divide the district police force into two departments;

To supply the town of Needham with water ;
(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To amend section nineteen of chapter fifty-two of the Public Statutes, relating to notices in, and jurisdiction of, cases of injuries received on highways ;

To establish the salaries of the first and second clerks of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor ;

To amend section thirteen of chapter one hundred and six of the Public Statutes, relating to the formation of certain corporations ;

To amend the act of incorporation of Mount Holyoke Female Seminary ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

Resolves
passed.

Providing for the publication of certain special laws ;
and

Providing for the printing of the laws relating to elections

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

In favor of Fanny Ross (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders.

Beverly Farms. On motion of Mr. Qua of Lowell, the Bill to incorporate the town of Beverly Farms was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Women qualified to vote for school committee voting on the liquor license question.

On motion of Mr. Fisk of Boston, the Bill giving to women qualified to vote for members of the school committee in any city or town the right to vote on the question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors in such city or town was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and, after debate, pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman,

man, postponed for further consideration until Thursday, March 15, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

On motion of Mr. Russell of Somerville, the Bill to provide a reservoir for the city of Cambridge, and to better preserve the purity of its water supply, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, laid on the table.

Water supply
of Cambridge.

On motion of Mr. D. J. Quinn of Boston, the report of the committee on Military Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 53 of chapter 411 of the Acts of 1887, relating to examining boards of the militia, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, March 20, to be placed in the orders of the day for that day.

Examining
boards of the
militia.

On motions of Mr. Temple of Colrain, the report of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the examination of teachers of common schools and the certificates thereof, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Examination of
teachers of
common
schools.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate :

Orders of the
Day.

On an order relative to increasing the jurisdiction of the district court of Central Middlesex, also the territory comprising the same ; and

On an order relative to amending chapter 348 of the Acts of 1887 relative to the erection of fences and other structures to annoy adjoining owners ;

Were severally accepted.

The report of the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the salary of the chief examiner of the Civil Service Commissioners, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to changing the manner of electing directors or managers of corporations and associations ; and

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to repealing the provisions of section 18 of chapter 84 of the Public Statutes relating to temporary aid to State paupers ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Labor, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of F. A. Kennedy Company and others for legislation authorizing the Chief of the State Police to grant special permits to extend the hours of labor, was considered. Mr. Close of Cambridge moved to amend by substituting a " Bill to amend section 4 of chapter 74 of the Public Statutes relating to the employment of labor," which was read, and, pending the amendment, and pending the main question on the acceptance of the report, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Monday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Bills :

To authorize the county commissioners of Worcester County to enlarge the jail and house of correction at Fitchburg ;

To authorize the city of Worcester to borrow money for the purposes of public parks ; and

To secure proper sanitary provisions and proper ventilation in public buildings and schoolhouses ; and the

Resolve providing for extra clerical assistance in the office of the Insurance Commissioner ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to incorporate the Monson Water Company was further considered, amended, as recommended by the committee on Water Supply, and was ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Relating to the taking of scallops in the head-waters of Buzzard's Bay (amended on motions of Mr. Delano of Marion) ;

To provide for the preparation and publication of supplements to the Public Statutes ; and

Relating to the public cemeteries in the town of Winchester ; and

Resolves :

Providing for the erection of additional houses for the use of the officers at the State Prison at Boston ; and

In relation to the topographical survey and map of Massachusetts ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To enable the city of Gloucester to issue bonds, notes and scrip for the payment of its indebtedness ; and

To further amend an act to supply the village of Mansfield with water ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

At ten minutes past four o'clock, adjourned.

THURSDAY, March 8, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report Received.

Report of the
Commissioners
of Prisons on
the Reforma-
tory Prison for
Women.

The Tenth Annual Report of the Commissioners of Prisons on the Reformatory Prison for Women was received and was referred to the committee on Prisons and sent up for concurrence.

Petitions Presented.

Oleomargarine.

By Mr. Butler of Georgetown, petition of Isaac C. Day and others; by Mr. Russell of Maynard, petition of Charles W. Maynard and others; and by Mr. Coolidge of West Brookfield, petition of J. B. Hinkley and others of New Braintree, and of A. C. Stoddard and others of North Brookfield,—severally, for legislation prohibiting the coloring of oleomargarine, butterine and like compounds, in imitation of butter.

Severally referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Australian
system of
voting.

By Mr. Walworth of Newton, petition of Adam Beck and others in favor of the Australian system of voting, so that ballots may be printed at the public expense and distributed by a public officer. Referred to the committee on Election Laws.

Solicitor-
General and
Assistant
Solicitors-
General.

By Mr. Walworth of Newton, petition of G. H. Graves and others for the appointment of a Solicitor-General and Assistant Solicitors-General. Referred to the Joint Committee on the Judiciary.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Annexation of
part of Tewks-
bury to Lowell.

By Mr. Qua of Lowell, petition of Jesse H. Shepard and others that a certain portion of the town of Tewksbury may be annexed to Lowell. Referred to the committee on Towns, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence.

Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. Barrett of Melrose, was adopted, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule and sent up for concurrence : —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of amending chapter 104 of the Public Statutes, relating to the inspection of buildings, so that whoever intends to erect or make alterations in a building of any description, now under the supervision of the State inspectors of buildings, shall, fifteen days or more before he proceeds to build or erect the same or to make the said alterations, give to the inspector of buildings notice in writing of such intention. Also to consider whether any further legislation is necessary to secure proper safeguards for occupants of buildings in case of fire.

Inspection of
buildings.

*Papers from the Senate.**Bills :*

To confirm the organization of the Atlantic Wharf Company and to authorize it hold certain real estate ;

Atlantic Wharf
Company.

To amend section 31 of chapter 214 of the Acts of the year 1887 relating to the insurance of mechanics' tools ; and

Insurance of
mechanics'
tools.

Concerning the waters of Spy Pond in the town of Arlington, of Little Pond and Wellington Brook in the town of Belmont ;

Arlington, —
Spy Pond.
Belmont, —
Little Pond and
Wellington
Brook.

Severally reported on petitions and severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

A Resolve in addition to a resolve relating to sewage disposal in the Mystic and Charles River valleys (reported on the report of the State Board of Health in accordance with chapter 95 of the Resolves of the year 1887, relative to the sewage disposal of the Mystic and Charles Rivers) passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence : —

Petition of Orlando Draper and 64 others to reduce the hours of labor to fifty-six and one-half weekly for women and children employed in manufacturing and mechanical establishments. To the committee on Labor.

Employment of
women and
children in
manufacturing
and mechanical
establishments.

New England
Historic-
Genealogical
Society.

Petition of the New England Historic-Genealogical Society for leave to hold additional real and personal estate. To the committee on Mercantile Affairs, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Rosanna
Gaffney.

Petition of Rosanna Gaffney for State aid. To the committee on Military Affairs, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Taken from the Table.

Water supply of
Cambridge.

On motion of Mr. Backup of Boston, the Bill to provide a reservoir for the city of Cambridge, and to better preserve the purity of its water supply, was taken from the table and considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading Amendments moved by Messrs. Russell of Somerville and Lovell of Boston were rejected, and, after debate, the bill was ordered to a third reading.

Reports of Committees.

Management of
cemeteries in
towns.

By Mr. Flynn of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, no legislation necessary, on an order relative to legislation conferring upon towns the right to choose commissioners, who, subject to instructions from the town, shall have the management of its cemeteries and of funds held or appropriated for the same.

Number of
witnesses at
executions for
capital offences.

By Mr. Bottum of Northampton, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of C. A. Bartol and others for the enactment of a law restricting the number of witnesses at executions for capital offences.

Publication of
details of execu-
tions for capital
offences.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that no account of the details of any case of capital punishment shall be published in any newspaper, except the statement of the fact that the convict was, on the day specified, duly executed according to law at the place named.

Insurance Com-
missioner, —
valuation of
policies of for-
eign companies.

By Mr. Church of Cambridge, from the committee on Insurance, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to authorize the Insurance Commissioner, at his discretion, to accept the valuation of the policies of any foreign companies.

Western Bay
State colors.

By Mr. Bartlett of Montague, from the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of H.

M. Coney, relative to taking the "Western Bay State colors" from the State House on the occasion of the next reunion of the 31st Massachusetts Regiment Association, and on any other occasion when desired by said association.

By Mr. Towne of Lynn, from the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Albert Davis, treasurer of the county of Plymouth, for an increase of salary.

Salary of the treasurer of Plymouth County.

By Mr. Sohier of Beverly, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles W. Robinson, clerk of the police court of Brockton, for an increase of salary.

Salary of the clerk of the police court of Brockton.

By Mr. Qua of Lowell, from the committee on Towns, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to general legislation concerning town divisions.

Division of towns.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation providing that no town of this Commonwealth shall be divided except on petition to the General Court of a majority of the legal voters of said town present and voting at the annual town meeting.

Ibid.

By Mr. Eldridge of Bourne, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of James F. Emerson and others that chapter 29 of the Public Statutes be so amended as to prevent diverting appropriations voted by a town to meet the expenses of one year to the payment of bills of other years.

Town appropriations.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Collison of Boston, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the Bill (introduced on leave in the Senate) relating to intelligence offices and women and girls sent to or detained in any place of ill repute, and recommending its reference to the committee on Labor. Read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Intelligence offices.

By Mr. Pratt of Abington, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill relating to payment of costs after commitment, or after appeals are withdrawn.

Costs in inferior courts and before trial justices.

By Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, from the committee on Insurance, on an order, a Bill in relation to actions upon fire insurance policies.

Actions upon fire insurance policies.

Returns for
taxation of
insurance
companies.

By Mr. Provin of Westfield, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to amend chapter 13 of the Public Statutes, relative to the returns for taxation of insurance companies.

Harmony Grove
Cemetery of
Salem.

By Mr. Knox of Chester, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the proprietors of Harmony Grove Cemetery of Salem to hold additional real estate.

First Parish,
West Roxbury.

By Mr. Dewey of Holliston, from the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, on a petition, a Bill to enable the First Parish, West Roxbury, to make by-laws the same as if organized under the Public Statutes.

Taxation of
certain literary
and other
associations.

By Mr. Floyd of Winthrop, from the committee on Taxation, on an order, a Bill in relation to the exemption of the property of certain literary and other associations from taxation.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Thomas
Fitzmaurice.

By Mr. Lyons of North Adams, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Thomas Fitzmaurice.

Westborough
Insane Hospital.

By Mr. Warden of Waltham, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on a petition, in part, a Resolve providing for the payment of current expenses at the Westborough Insane Hospital at Westborough.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Bills Enacted.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Relating to the members of the corporation of savings banks ;

To change the name of the Temporary Home for the Destitute ;

To enlarge the purposes of the Williams Market Corporation of Boston, and to authorize the issue of additional stock by said corporation ;

To incorporate the Vineyard Haven Gas and Electric Company ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, leave to with- Orders of the Day.
draw :

On petitions of Joseph S. Bradley and others for legislation concerning savings banks investments ; and

On the petition of Joseph Jacobs, Jr., and others, that savings banks be authorized to increase the percentage of their investments in mortgages, bonds, etc., under certain conditions ;

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to savings banks and institutions for savings investing in the bonds of corporations in other States ;

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the use, throughout the Commonwealth, of the ballot-box approved and adopted by the Ballot-Box Commissioners, under authority of chapter 443 of the Acts of 1887. in taking the vote on the question of granting liquor licenses ; and

Of the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the salary of the second clerk of the Commissioners of Savings Banks ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the president of the Common Council of the city of Boston for such alteration of the statutes as shall transfer certain powers now exercised by the Board of Aldermen to the Common Council of that city ;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of St. Francis de Sales Young Men's Catholic Total Abstinence and Literary Society of Charlestown for leave to hold real estate to the amount of \$50,000, and to issue mortgage bonds secured on said real estate ;

Of the same committee, no legislation necessary, on the abstract of the certificates of corporations organized under the general laws of Massachusetts, together with the annual returns required by chapter 106 of the Public Statutes during the year 1887 ; and

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Franklin Gray and Henry A. Thayer for extra compensation for services rendered the county of Bristol by them as county commissioners during the erection of the House of Correction in New Bedford;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation forbidding the imposition of fines, or other deduction of pay, for imperfect work, by any corporation chartered by or doing business in this Commonwealth, was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Keane of Holyoke.

The report of the committee on Military Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to securing a more perfect record of volunteer officers and enlisted men who served during the war of the rebellion, was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. E. J. Donovan of Boston.

Bills :

To permit the construction of a railroad across land of the Westborough Insane Hospital ;

To enable towns to discontinue voting precincts ;

To incorporate the Postal Automatic Telegraph and Construction Company ; and

To amend an act relating to the board of water commissioners of the city of Springfield ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To authorize the county commissioners of Worcester County to enlarge the jail and house of correction at Fitchburg ;

To authorize the city of Worcester to borrow money for the purposes of public parks ; and

To secure proper sanitary provisions and proper ventilation in public buildings and schoolhouses ; and the

Resolve providing for extra clerical assistance in the office of the Insurance Commissioner ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

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The House concurred with the Senate in the amendments to the House Bill to amend section 10 of chapter 203 of the Public Statutes, relating to the penalty for the crime of burglary, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

At twenty minutes past three o'clock, adjourned.

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FRIDAY, March 9, 1888.

Met according to adjournment, at 1 o'clock P. M.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Payson W. Lyman of Belchertown, a member of the House.

Member Qualified.

Member
qualified.

A communication was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, transmitting the certificate of election of Davis P. Gray of Northbridge as Representative from the Tenth Worcester Representative District, and that gentleman being present and ready to be qualified, Mr. Gile of Worcester was appointed a committee, who conducted him to the council chamber, and he having been qualified report was made accordingly.

Petitions Presented.

Annexation of a
part of Tewks-
bury to Lowell.

By Mr. Trull of Tewksbury, remonstrance of the selectmen and others of Tewksbury against the annexation of any part of Tewksbury to Lowell. Referred to the committee on Towns and sent up for concurrence.

Speed of horses
and other ani-
mals over
bridges.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, petition of the city of Haverhill for amendment of section 1 of chapter 108 of the Acts of 1882 relative to regulating the speed of horses and other animals over bridges. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Papers from the Senate.

Fire escapes.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Labor consider the expediency of enforcing the present laws in regard to the erection of fire escapes and of enacting such other laws as may be deemed necessary to promote the public safety.

Labor's Hol-
iday.

A report of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the repeal or the amendment of chapter 263 of the Acts of the year 1887, it being an act making the first Monday of September,

known as Labor's Holiday, a legal holiday, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Resolves providing for biennial elections of State officers and members of the General Court, substituted in the Senate, for a report of the committee on Constitutional Amendments, inexpedient to legislate, and agreed to by the Senate, were read and ordered to a second reading.

Biennial elections of State officers and members of the General Court.

A Resolve confirming the acts of Francis C. Welch as a justice of the peace, reported on a petition, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Francis C. Welch.

A Bill to amend an act to incorporate the Powow Hill Water Company (being a new draft of a House bill with the same title), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Powow Hill Water Company.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of the Bill (introduced on leave in the House) to increase the efficiency of the police department of the city of Boston, and to pension members thereof.

Police department of Boston.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence :—

Petition of W. H. Upham and others of Dudley to prohibit the coloring of oleomargarine, butterine, and like compounds, in imitation of butter. To the committee on Agriculture.

Oleomargarine.

Petition of Thomas Seecombe and others for the establishment of the Australian system of voting, so that ballots may be printed at the public expense and distributed by a public officer. To the committee on Election Laws.

Australian system of voting.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Preble of Boston, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to authorizing the proof of claims against the insolvent estate of a deceased person before commissioners appointed to receive proof thereof, after the expiration of two years from the appointment of the executor or administrator, provided the commissioners are appointed within that time, and relative to the sale of the real es-

Proof of claims against the insolvent estate of a deceased person.

tate of deceased persons for the payment of debts after the expiration of two years.

Read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Report of the
Controller of
County
Accounts.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, from the committee on Expenditures, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the first annual report of the Controller of County Accounts and recommending its reference to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Clara D.
Lufkin,—
Chicopee.

By Mr. Bottum of Northampton, from the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill to provide for the removal of the remains of the dead from certain land situate in the town of Chicopee.

Tenure of office
of police in
cities.

By Mr. Slocum of Newton, from the committee on Cities, on petitions, a Bill in relation to the tenure of office of police in the various cities of the Commonwealth.

Standish
Monument
Association.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, from the committee on Expenditures, on petitions, a Resolve in favor of the Standish Monument Association.

Stephen F.
Sullivan.

By Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve in favor of Stephen F. Sullivan ought to pass in a new draft with the same title.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Louis A. Kent.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve in favor of Louis A. Kent ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

To authorize the town of Peabody to further increase and preserve its water supply (which originated in the House) ;

To authorize the city of Taunton to increase its water loan ;

Relative to the preparation and revision of the list of jurors in the city of Boston ; and

To authorize the printing of additional copies of the annual report of the Board of Gas Commissioners ;
(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that no account of the details of any case of capital punishment shall be published in any newspaper, except the statement of the fact that the convict was, on the day specified, duly executed according to law at the place named ;

Orders of the Day.

Of the same committee, no legislation necessary, on an order relative to legislation conferring upon towns the right to choose commissioners, who, subject to instructions from the town, shall have the management of its cemeteries and of funds held or appropriated for the same ; and

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of C. A. Bartol and others for the enactment of a law restricting the number of witnesses at executions for capital offences ;

Were severally accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Insurance, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to authorize the Insurance Commissioner, at his discretion, to accept the valuation of the policies of any foreign companies ;

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of H. M. Coney, relative to taking the " Western Bay State Colors " from the State House on the occasion of the next reunion of the 31st Massachusetts Regiment Association, and on any other occasion when desired by said association ;

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw :

On the petition of Charles W. Robinson, clerk of the police court of Brockton, for an increase of salary ;

On the petition of Albert Davis, treasurer of the county of Plymouth, for an increase of salary ;

Of the committee on Towns, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to general legislation concerning town divisions ; and

On an order relative to legislation providing that no town of this Commonwealth shall be divided except on petition to the General Court of a majority of the legal voters of said town present and voting at the annual town meeting ; and

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of James F. Emerson and others that chapter 29 of the Public Statutes be so amended as to prevent diverting appropriations voted by a town to meet the expenses of one year to the payment of bills of other years ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

In relation to the exemption of the property of certain literary and other associations from taxation ;

To enable the First Parish, West Roxbury, to make by-laws the same as if organized under the Public Statutes ;

To authorize the proprietors of Harmony Grove Cemetery of Salem to hold additional real estate ;

Relating to payment of costs after commitment, or after appeals are withdrawn ;

In relation to actions upon fire insurance policies ;

To amend chapter 13 of the Public Statutes relative to the returns for taxation of insurance companies ;

To confirm the organization of the Atlantic Wharf Company and to authorize it to hold certain real estate ;

To amend section 31 of chapter 214 of the Acts of the year 1887 relating to the insurance of mechanics' tools ; and

Concerning the waters of Spy Pond in the town of Arlington, of Little Pond and Wellington Brook in the town of Belmont ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To permit the construction of a railroad across land of the Westborough Insane Hospital ; and

To enable towns to discontinue voting precincts ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To provide a reservoir for the city of Cambridge, and to better preserve the purity of its water supply ; and

To amend an act relating to the board of water commissioners of the city of Springfield ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

At twenty-nine minutes past one o'clock, adjourned.

MONDAY, March 12, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Goss of Amesbury, petition of J. H. Edwards and others; by Mr. Clark of Huntington, petition of W. W. Orcutt and others; and by Mr. Holman of Clinton, petition of George A. Hastings and others, — severally, for legislation prohibiting the coloring of oleomargarine, butterine and like compounds in imitation of butter.

Severally referred to the committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Boardman of Marblehead, petitions of John H. Widger and others, and of Col. Lee Company No. 2 of Marblehead; and by Mr. Holman of Clinton, petition of W. H. Gibbs and others, — severally, in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others of Boston for the passage of an act appropriating \$10,000 annually to the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles A. DeCourcy, Assistant District Attorney for the Eastern District, for an increase of salary, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

A Resolve relative to prosecuting certain claims of the Commonwealth against the United States (reported on an order), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Bills:

Permitting the establishment of a fire district in the town of Stockbridge (reported on a petition); and

Oleomargarine.

Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

Salary of Assistant District Attorney for the Eastern District.

Massachusetts State agent to collect a certain claim against the United States.

Stockbridge Fire District.

Infant School
and Children's
Home.

To change the name of the Infant School and Children's Home (reported on a petition) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Taken from the Files of Last Year.

Ashburnham
water supply.

On motions of Mr. Perkins of Winchendon, the petition of the selectmen of Ashburnham that authority be granted said town to supply its inhabitants with water for domestic and fire purposes was taken from the files of last year and was referred to the committee on Water Supply and sent up for concurrence.

Taken from the Table.

Report of the
Civil Service
Commissioners.

On motions of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, the fourth annual report of the Civil Service Commissioners of Massachusetts was taken from the table and was referred to the committee on Public Service and sent up for concurrence.

Salary of the
clerk of the
Second District
Court of Eastern
Middlesex.

On motion of the same gentleman the report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of A. O. Delano, clerk of the Second District Court of Eastern Middlesex, for an increase of salary, was taken from the table and was, on further motion of the same gentleman, placed in the orders of the day and postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

Railroad Com-
missioners, —
rates of fares
on railroads.

On motion of the same gentleman, the report of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that the recommendations of the Railroad Commissioners as to fares on railroads shall be binding upon the railroads, was taken from the table, and was, on further motion of the same gentleman, placed in the orders of the day and postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

Report of the
State Board of
Arbitration.

On motion of the same gentleman, the Bill concerning the printing and distribution of the annual report of the State Board of Arbitration was taken from the table, and was, on further motion of the same gentleman, placed in the orders of the day and postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Finance.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Wilkinson of Cambridge, from the committee on Public Health, no legislation necessary, on the report of the State Board of Health on the protection of the purity of inland waters.

Report of the State Board of Health on the purity of inland waters.

By Mr. Brady of Lowell, from the same committee, no legislation necessary, on the report of the Board of Registration in Pharmacy for the year ending October 1, 1887.

Report of the Board of Registration in Pharmacy.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Gibson of Chicopee, from the committee on Prisons, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of so much of the ninth annual report of the Board of Lunacy and Charity as relates to an asylum for inebriates, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions. Read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Asylum for Inebriates.

By Mr. Gunn of Boston, from the committee on Street Railways, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the East Middlesex Street Railway Company to locate its tracks in the city of Chelsea.

East Middlesex Street Railway Company.

By Mr. Pierce of Watertown, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the towns of Rockland and Abington to supply the town of Hanover, or the inhabitants thereof, with water.

Water supply for the town of Hanover.

By Mr. Merrill of Quincy, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to supply the centre village of Leicester with water.

Leicester Water Supply District.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Colby of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (introduced on leave) in relation to the county treasurers and county finances ought not to pass.

County treasurers and county finances.

By Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, from the same committee, that the Bill (introduced on leave) in relation to bail bonds in bastardy cases, ought not to pass.

Bail bonds in bastardy cases.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question in each case being on the rejection of the bill.

Discharged from the Orders.

Tenure of office
of police
officers.

On motion of Mr. Symonds of Salem, the Bill in relation to the tenure of office of police in the various cities of the Commonwealth, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until next Friday.

Bills Enacted.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills:

To incorporate the Boston Real Estate Association of Boston;

To provide an additional water supply for the town of Brookline;

To amend an act to incorporate the Newburyport and Amesbury Horse Railroad Company;

To change the name of the Jeffries Club of Boston;

To amend sections forty and forty-one of chapter one hundred and sixteen of the Public Statutes, relating to the annual reports of savings banks and institutions for savings;

To amend sections ten and eleven of chapter two hundred and three of the Public Statutes, relating to the penalties for the offence of burglary;

(Which severally originated in the House); and

To further amend an act to supply the village of Mansfield with water;

To enable the city of Gloucester to issue bonds, notes or scrip for the payment of its indebtedness;

For the protection of the shad fisheries in Mill River and its tributaries in the town of Essex;

(Which severally originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
Day.

The report of the committee on Probate and Insolvency, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to authorizing the proof of claims against the insolvent estate of a deceased person, and relative to the sale of the real estate of deceased persons for the payment of debts after the expiration of two years was accepted.

The report of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the repeal or the amendment of chapter 263 of the Acts of the year 1887, it being an act making the first Monday of September, known as Labor's Holiday, a legal holiday, was accepted, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Labor, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of F. A. Kennedy Company and others for legislation authorizing the chief of State Police to grant special permits to extend the hours of labor, was considered. The bill moved as a substitute by Mr. Close of Cambridge was rejected by a vote of 25 to 55, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To provide for the removal of the dead from certain land situate in the town of Chicopee ; and

To amend an act to incorporate the Powow Hill Water Company ; and

Resolves :

In favor of Louis A. Kent ;

In favor of Stephen F. Sullivan ;

In favor of the Standish Monument Association ;

Providing for biennial elections of State officers and members of the General Court ; and

Confirming the acts of Francis C. Welch as a justice of the peace ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To authorize the proprietors of the Harmony Grove Cemetery of Salem to hold additional real estate ; and

In relation to actions upon fire insurance policies (amended on motion of Mr. Wyman of Hyde Park) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To confirm the organization of the Atlantic Wharf Company and to authorize it to hold certain real estate ; and

To amend section 31 of chapter 214 of the Acts of the year 1887 relating to the insurance of mechanics' tools ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill concerning the waters of Spy Pond in the town of Arlington, of Little Pond and Wellington Brook in the town of Belmont, was read a third time, and, pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on motion of Mr. Backup of Boston, laid on the table.

At twelve minutes before three o'clock, adjourned.

TUESDAY, March 13, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Motion to Reconsider.

Mr. Close of Cambridge moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, accepted the report of the committee on Labor, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of F. A. Kennedy Company and others for legislation authorizing the chief of the State Police to grant special permits to extend the hours of labor.

On further motion of the same gentleman, the motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Petition Presented.

By Mr. Brewer of Boston, petition of the First Congregational Society of Jamaica Plain for the passage of an act to enable it to make by-laws the same as if organized under the general laws. Referred to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence.

First Congregational Society of Jamaica Plain.

Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. McCall of Winchester, was adopted, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule:—

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of legislation regulating the creation of estates tail by other instruments than wills.

Regulating the creation of estates tail by other instruments than wills.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order came down for concurrence in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule. The House concurred, and the order was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly:—

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of amending the law relative to the confirmation of defective acts or proceedings

Confirmation of defective acts or proceedings of probate courts.

of probate courts, or those acting under appointment from probate courts.

Lard.

A report of the committee on Public Health, inexperienced to legislate, on an order relative to the adulteration and sale of lard, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills :

Marlborough Street Railway Company.

To incorporate the Marlborough Street Railway Company (reported on a petition) ; and

Railroad corporations requiring women and children to ride in smoking-cars.

Prohibiting railroad corporations to require women and children to ride in smoking-cars (introduced on leave in the House) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Speed of horses and other animals over bridges.

The petition of the city of Haverhill for amendment of section 1 of chapter 108 of the Acts of 1882 relative to regulating the speed of horses and other animals over bridges, came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence :

Oleomargarine.

Petition of the South Bristol Farmers' Club of New Bedford to prohibit the coloring of oleomargarine, butterine and like compounds in imitation of butter. To the committee on Agriculture.

Hours of labor for women and children in manufacturing and mechanical establishments.

Petition of Thomas Walsh and others to reduce the hours of labor to fifty-six and one-half weekly for women and children employed in manufacturing and mechanical establishments. To the committee on Labor.

Taken from the Table.

Employment of children.

On motion of Mr. Quincy of Quincy, the Bill in relation to the employment of children was taken from the table, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Thursday, March 22, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Fall River court house.

On motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, the Bill to amend an act relative to the erection of a court house in Fall River was taken from the table, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary and sent up for concurrence.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to further legislation increasing the penalties for the offences described in section 53 of chapter 203 of the Public Statutes.

Increased penalties for the taking of animals without consent of owner.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to more clearly defining the newspaper notice required in cases of foreclosure of mortgages.

Newspaper notice required in cases of foreclosure of mortgages.

By Mr. Wyman of Hyde Park, from the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to regulate the crossing of railroads by street railways.

Crossing of railroads by street railways.

By Mr. Kearn of North Adams, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to prevent the acquisition of rights of way by prescription upon land occupied by railroad companies, and to provide for the taking by such companies of such rights heretofore so acquired.

Acquisition of rights of way by prescription upon land occupied by railroad companies.

By Mr. Symonds of Salem, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 166 of chapter 112 of the Public Statutes, relative to the liability of cities, towns and railroads at highway grade crossings.

Liability of cities, towns and railroads at highway grade crossings.

By Mr. E. J. Donovan of Boston, from the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring street railway companies to water certain streets under certain conditions.

Watering of certain streets by street railway companies.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Raymond of Somerville, from the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, at the request of the petitioner, on the petition of the city of Springfield for such legislation as will enforce the recommendations of the Railroad Commissioners in regard to the use of Main Street in said Springfield by the Boston and Albany Railroad Company.

Use of Main Street in Springfield by the Boston and Albany Railroad.

By Mr. Adams of Lowell, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, at the request of all parties concerned, on the petition of Charles C. Spellman for legislation providing for the erection of a new railway passenger station at

Railway passenger station at Springfield.

Springfield and the separation of grades on Main Street in said Springfield.

Severally read and, on motions of Mr. Adams of Lowell, the rule was suspended and the reports were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Water supply
for the Reform-
atory Prison for
Women.

By Mr. Willis of New Bedford, from the committee on Prisons, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of so much of the report of the Commissioners of Prisons on the Reformatory Prison for Women as relates to the water supply and its proper protection from pollution, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Water Supply. Read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Partition of
lands.

By Mr. Colby of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill to amend chapter one hundred and seventy-eight of the Public Statutes, relating to the partition of lands.

Appeals from
probate courts.

By Mr. McCall of Winchester, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on an order, a Bill relating to appeals from probate courts.

Printing in the
State Prison.

By Mr. Berry of Salem, from the committee on Prisons, on the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons on the Massachusetts State Prison, in part, a Bill to permit the employment of prisoners in the State Prison in printing.

Publication of a
digest of the
decisions of the
Board of Rail-
road Commis-
sioners.

By Mr. McDonough of Boston, from the committee on Railroads, on an order, a Resolve providing for the publication of a digest of the decisions of the Board of Railroad Commissioners.

Water supply
of the city of
Lynn.

By Mr. Backup of Boston, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Lynn to make an additional water loan.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Pollution of
ponds and
streams from
which ice is cut.

By Mr. Miller of Needham, from the committee on Public Health, on an order, a Resolve providing for an investigation of the pollution of ponds and streams from which ice is cut for domestic use.

New State
House.

By Mr. Fales of Norwood, from the committee on State House, on an order, in part, a Bill to provide for the better accommodation of the State Government in the city of Boston. [Mr. Clark of Essex, of the Senate, dissenting.]

By Mr. Barrett of Melrose, from the committee on Federal Relations, on an order, a Bill to expedite the settlement of claims for pensions.

Settlement of pension claims against the Federal government.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

By Mr. Allen of Woburn, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Resolve in addition to a resolve relating to sewage disposal in the Mystic and Charles River Valleys ought to pass.

Sewage disposal in the Mystic and Charles River Valleys.

By Mr. Dexter of Lowell, from the same committee, that the Resolve providing for the payment of current expenses at the Westborough Insane Hospital at Westborough ought to pass.

Westborough Insane Hospital.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

To authorize the incorporation of Labor or Trade organizations ;

Bills enacted.

To authorize the Springfield Home for Friendless Women and Children to hold additional real and personal estate ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

In favor of Orestes M. Pratt, George E. Worthen, Charles Wilson, Charles H. Richardson, Martin H. Leighton and Frank E. Cleaveland ;

Resolves passed.

Providing for certain repairs and improvements at the State Industrial School for Girls ;

In favor of Mélanie Demasener ; and

In favor of the city of Springfield ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motions of Mr. Symonds of Salem, the report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles A. DeCourcy, Assistant District Attorney for the Eastern District, for an increase of

Salary of the Assistant District Attorney for the Eastern District.

salary, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Salary of the clerk of the Second District Court of Eastern Middlesex.

On motions of Mr. Warden of Waltham, the report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of A. O. Delano, clerk of the Second District Court of Eastern Middlesex, for an increase of salary, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was recommitted to the committee on Public Service and sent up for concurrence.

Biennial elections of State officers and members of the General Court.

On motion of Mr. Parkman of Boston, the Resolves providing for biennial elections of State officers and members of the General Court, were discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. They were read a third time, and, pending the question on agreeing to the resolves and articles of amendment, they were, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, March 21, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Orders of the Day.

Of the committee on Public Health, no legislation necessary :

On the report of the Board of Registration in Pharmacy for the year ending October 1, 1887 ; and

On the report of the State Board of Health on the protection of the purity of inland waters ; and

Of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that the recommendations of the Railroad Commissioners as to fares on railroads shall be binding upon the railroads ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the East Middlesex Street Railway Company to locate its tracks in the city of Chelsea ; and

To supply the centre village of Leicester with water ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To incorporate the Monson Water Company ;

To amend section 33 of chapter 13 of the Public Statutes relative to the returns for taxation of insurance com-

panies (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

To provide for the removal of the dead from certain land situate in the town of Chicopee ; and

Resolves :

In favor of Louis A. Kent ;

In favor of Stephen F. Sullivan ; and

In favor of the Standish Monument Association ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to amend an act to incorporate the Powow Hill Water Company ; and the

Resolve confirming the acts of Francis C. Welch as a justice of the peace ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill (on leave) in relation to bail bonds in bastardy cases was rejected, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary.

The Bill to incorporate the town of Beverly Farms was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. On motion of Mr. Fisk of Boston, it was voted that debate on this question be closed at half-past four o'clock to-morrow afternoon, unless a vote should be sooner reached. After debate, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, the House,

At twenty minutes past five o'clock, adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, March 14, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report Received.

Annual report,
Part I., of the
Insurance
Commissioner
relating to Fire
and Marine
Insurance.

A communication was received from the Insurance Commissioner transmitting Part I. of the thirty-third annual report of the Insurance Commissioner, relating to Fire and Marine Insurance, which was referred to the committee on Insurance, and sent up for concurrence.

Petitions Presented.

Oleomargarine.

By Mr. Morton of West Boylston, petition of A. E. Knight and others; and by Mr. Fales of Norwood, petition of W. W. Baker and others, — severally, for legislation prohibiting the coloring of oleomargarine, butterine and like compounds in imitation of butter.

Severally referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Employment of
women and
children in
manufacturing
and mechanical
establishments.

By Mr. O'Neil of Sudbury, petition of E. W. Nolen and others; and by Mr. Monahan of Boston, petition of Thomas G. Breen, Jr., and others, — severally, for legislation to reduce the hours of labor to fifty-six and one-half weekly for women and children employed in manufacturing and mechanical establishments.

Severally referred to the committee on Labor.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. Cronin of Worcester, was, at his request, laid over until to-morrow: —

Railroad
corporations to
post information
concerning
snow blockades
and other
accidents.

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of legislation so as to protect the travelling public from the cupidity or bungling management of railroad corporations at the time of a great storm, by requiring information to be posted in proper places of derailment, snow blockades or other accidents soon after they occur; and consider further if anything can be done to prevent suffering by mishaps of the above-named nature.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, for want of proper notice, on the petition of the mayor of New Bedford and others for a change in the boundary line between said city and the town of Dartmouth, came down from the Senate recommitted with instructions to hear the parties, after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct. The House concurred, and the report was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Boundary line between the city of New Bedford and the town of Dartmouth.

Bills :

To provide for the appointment of an Assistant District Attorney for the Middle District (reported on an order) ; and

Assistant District Attorney for the Middle District.

To establish public weighers of salt-water fish landed from vessels (reported on petitions) ;

Public weighers of fish landed from vessels.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

The Resolve in favor of George White (reported on a petition) passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

George White.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence :

Petition of Mary A. Moran and others to reduce the hours of labor to fifty-six and one-half weekly for women and children employed in manufacturing and mechanical establishments. To the committee on Labor.

Employment of women and children in manufacturing and mechanical establishments.

Remonstrance of W. E. C. Swan and others against the petition of Thomas Blanchard and others that the Fire District in Stoughton have authority to purchase the franchise of the Stoughton Water Company, etc. To the committee on Water Supply.

Stoughton Fire District.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Griswold of Greenfield, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending section 65, chapter 178 of the Public Statutes as to better define and protect the rights of executors, administrators and others who may have rights in land of which partition is made by sale.

Executors and administrators, — partition of lands by sale.

By Mr. Lyman of Belchertown, from the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative

Evening schools in towns.

to the establishment of evening schools in towns whenever the school committee of the town learn that there are ten or more illiterate minors, fourteen years of age or over, residing in the town.

Massachusetts
Institute of
Technology.

By Mr. Wright of Westford, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology for aid from the Commonwealth.

Presentation
and publication
of petitions to
the General
Court.

By Mr. Smith of Athol, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to repealing chapter 24 of the Acts of 1885 relative to presentation and publication of certain petitions to the General Court.

Sessions of the
Superior Court.

By Mr. Collison of Boston, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to changing the time for holding the sessions of the Superior Court in the several counties of the Commonwealth.

Sittings of Su-
perior Court of
Plymouth
County, holden
at Brockton.

By Mr. Colby of Boston, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles W. Sumner and others that the sittings of the Superior Court of Plymouth County may be begun and holden at Brockton with power of adjournment to Plymouth.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Publication of
notices of sale
by mortgagees
of real estate.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill relating to the publication of notices of sale by mortgagees of real estate.

Payment of wit-
nesses in in-
quests before
trial justices
and inferior
courts.

By Mr. Smith of Athol, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill relative to the payment of witnesses in inquests and in criminal proceedings before trial justices and the inferior courts.

Settlement of
estates of de-
ceased persons.

By Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on orders, a Bill relating to the settlement of estates of deceased persons.

Voting at
elections in
towns.

By Mr. Hunt of Rockland, from the committee on Election Laws, on an order, a Bill prohibiting statements relative to the voting at elections in towns prior to the public declaration of the result thereof.

Game, — tres-
pass upon
private lands.

By Mr. Conwell of Provincetown, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, on a petition, a Bill to amend an act to protect game and to protect private lands from trespass.

Clams, —
Winthrop.

By Mr. Stimpson of Swampscott, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the planting of clams in and around the shores of Winthrop.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill to establish additional terms of the Superior Court for the county of Bristol.

Additional terms of the Superior Court for the county of Bristol.

By Mr. Colby of Boston, from the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the First Unitarian Society in Revere, and to confirm its title to certain real estate.

First Unitarian Society in Revere.

By Mr. Shaw of Newburyport, from the committee on Street Railways, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the Framingham Union Street Railway Company to issue mortgage bonds. [Mr. E. J. Donovan of Boston, of the House, dissenting.]

Framingham Union Street Railway Company.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Holbrook of Weymouth, from the committee on Banks and Banking, that the Bill (introduced on leave in the House) relating to co-operative banks ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

Co-operative banks.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate :

Orders of the Day.

On an order relative to more clearly defining the newspaper notice required in cases of foreclosure of mortgages ; and

On an order relative to further legislation increasing the penalties for the offences described in section 53 of chapter 203 of the Public Statutes ;

Were severally accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to amending section 166 of chapter 112 of the Public Statutes, relative to the liability of cities, towns and railroads at highway grade crossings ; and

On an order relative to legislation to regulate the crossings of railroads by street railways ; and

Of the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring street railway companies to water streets under certain conditions ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Public Health, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the adulteration and sale of lard, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the city of Lynn to make an additional water loan ;

Relating to appeals from probate courts ;

To amend chapter 178 of the Public Statutes relating to partition of lands ;

To permit the employment of prisoners in the State Prison in printing ; and

To incorporate the Marlborough Street Railway Company ; and

Resolves :

Providing for the payment of current expenses at the Westborough Insane Hospital at Westborough ;

Providing for the publication of a digest of the decisions of the Board of Railroad Commissioners ;

In addition to a resolve relating to sewage disposal in the Mystic and Charles River Valleys ; and

Relative to prosecuting certain claims of the Commonwealth against the United States ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

In relation to the exemption of the property of certain literary and other associations from taxation ;

To authorize the East Middlesex Street Railway Company to locate its tracks in the city of Chelsea (amended as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ; and

To supply the centre village of Leicester with water ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill concerning the printing and distribution of the annual report of the State Board of Arbitration was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Finance, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill to incorporate the town of Beverly Farms was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Mr. Qua of Lowell moved to reconsider

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the vote whereby the House yesterday voted that debate be closed to-day at half-past four o'clock unless a vote should be sooner reached. The motion prevailed, and the recurring question on closing debate was rejected. After extended debate, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, the House,

At twenty minutes past five o'clock, adjourned.

THURSDAY, March 15, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

Oleomargarine.

By Mr. McCooley of Blackstone, petition of John G. Barron and others for a law to prevent the coloring of oleomargarine, butterine and like compounds in imitation of butter. Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Water gas.

By Mr. Morey of Lowell, remonstrance of Drs. Edward S. Wood, Henry J. Bigelow, Alfred F. Hart, H. P. Walcott, and 155 others, leading physicians of Massachusetts, protesting against the passage of any law allowing the manufacture of illuminating gas containing more than 10 per cent. of carbonic oxide. Referred to the committee on Manufactures.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Laid on the Table.

Railroad corporations to post information concerning snow blockades and other accidents.

Mr. Mellen of Worcester moved to suspend the 12th Joint Rule to allow consideration of the order laid over from yesterday relative to requiring railroad corporations, in cases of derailment, snow blockades, or other accidents, to cause information of such accidents to be posted soon after they occur. On motion of Mr. Wadlin of Reading, the motion to suspend the rule was laid on the table.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

Municipal voting districts in the city of Boston.

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor of the city of Boston for the establishment of municipal voting districts in said city ;

Report of the Attorney-General.

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, no further legislation necessary, on the annual report of the Attorney-General ; and

Labor's Holiday.

Of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 1 of chapter 263 of the Acts of the year 1887, " An act to make the first day

of September, known as Labor's Holiday, a legal holiday," so as to provide a penalty for its violation (Mr. Howard, of the Senate, and Messrs. Mellen of Worcester and Keane of Holyoke, of the House, dissenting) ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

A Bill relative to the declaration of the results of elections in cities, and the issue of certificates to persons elected (reported on a bill introduced on leave in the House), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading. Elections in cities.

The House report of the committee on Public Health, Opium. inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to an investigation by the Board of Health or otherwise regarding the use and abuse of opium and other narcotics, and of further legislation to prevent such abuse, came down recommitted to the committee on Public Health. The House concurred, and the report was returned to the Senate, endorsed accordingly.

The House order that the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of legislation regulating the creation of estates tail by other instruments than wills, came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule. Regulating the creation of estates tail by other instruments than wills.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Pratt of Abington, from the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of C. T. Deblois and others for the enactment of a mandatory law imposing imprisonment for carelessness in the use of firearms. Firearms.

By Mr. Call of Springfield, from the committee on Banks and Banking, no legislation necessary, on the supplementary report of the Commissioners of Savings Banks relating to unclaimed deposits. Unclaimed deposits in savings banks.

By Mr. McEttrick of Boston, from the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors in wards of cities where the majority of votes cast is not in favor of granting such licenses. Licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors.

By Mr. McEnaney of Boston, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the State furnishing aid to manufacturing, industrial, railway and other enterprises. Aid to manufacturing, industrial, railway and other enterprises.

Mt. Pleasant
Cemetery
Association.

By Mr. Gile of Worcester, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of I. C. Foster and others for incorporation as the Mt. Pleasant Cemetery Association.

Bay State Lum-
ber Association.

By Mr. Holman of Clinton, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of J. M. W. Hall and others for an act of incorporation as the Bay State Lumber Association.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Voting by
proxy in corpo-
rations.

By Mr. Flynn of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill in relation to voting by proxy in corporations.

Collateral Loan
Company.

By Mr. Witt of Boston, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on the report of the Commissioners of Savings Banks, in part, a Bill relating to the Collateral Loan Company.

Washington
Loan Associa-
tion.

By Mr. Raymond of Hinsdale, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Washington Loan Association.

Planting of
clams in
Chebacco River.

By Mr. Dame of Newbury, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, on an order, a Bill authorizing the planting of clams in and around the shores of Chebacco River in Essex.

Foxborough
Cemetery
Corporation.

By Mr. Gile of Worcester, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to enable the trustees of the Foxborough Cemetery Corporation to take and hold additional real estate.

Ohabei Shalom
in Boston.

By Mr. Kendall of Fitchburg, from the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the Ohabei Shalom in Boston to hold additional real and personal estate.

First Baptist
Society in
Chelsea.

By Mr. Lyman of Belchertown, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relating to the sale of its real estate by the First Baptist Society in Chelsea.

Vaccination.

By Mr. Miller of Needham, from the committee on Public Health, on an order and petitions, a Bill relating to vaccination. (Mr. Wilkinson of Cambridge, of the House, dissenting.)

Salary of the
justice of the
Second District
Court of South-
ern Worcester.

By Mr. Cutler of Somerville, from the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill to establish the salary of the justice of the second district court of Southern Worcester.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Carney of Lawrence, from the committee on Printing, on an order, a Bill relating to the publication of the annual report of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks. Publication of the report of the Savings Banks Commissioners.

By Mr. Gunn of Boston, from the same committee, on an order, a Resolve providing for printing additional copies of the report of the Commissioners of the State Topographical Survey for the year eighteen hundred and eighty-seven. Report of the Commissioners of the State Topographical Survey.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order, a Resolve providing for the printing and distribution of the new index to the Public Statutes. Index to the Public Statutes.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

To regulate the granting of liquor licenses to be exercised in dwelling-houses ; and Bills enacted.

To authorize the town of Randolph to make an additional water loan ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To amend section thirty-one of chapter two hundred and fourteen of the Acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, relating to the insurance of mechanics' tools ;

To provide a reservoir for the city of Cambridge and to better preserve the purity of its water supply ;

To amend an act relating to the Board of Water Commissioners of the city of Springfield ; and

To confirm the organization of the Atlantic Wharf Company and to authorize it to hold certain real estate ;
(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

Providing for printing fifteen hundred extra copies of the annual report of the State Board of Arbitration ; and Resolves passed.

Authorizing the State Board of Education to consider the expediency of providing for the tenure of office of superintendents of schools in cities and towns of ten thousand and more inhabitants ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders.

Women voting
on the question
of granting
liquor licenses.

On motion of Mr. Milliken of Malden, the Bill giving to women qualified to vote for members of the school committee in any city or town the right to vote on the question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors in each city or town, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Acquisition of
rights of way
by prescription
upon land occu-
pled by railroad
companies.

On motion of Mr. Wadlin of Reading, the report of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to prevent the acquisition of rights of way by prescription upon land occupied by railroad companies, and to provide for the taking by such companies of such rights heretofore so acquired, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was, on further motion of the same gentleman, recommitted to the committee on Railroads.

Orders of the Day.

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The Bill to incorporate the town of Beverly Farms was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. On motion of Mr. Symonds of Salem it was voted that debate be closed at half-past four o'clock unless a vote should be sooner reached, and that speeches be limited to ten minutes each.

After extended debate, the yeas and nays were ordered at the request of Mr. Flynn of Boston, and, the roll being called, the bill was refused a third reading by a vote of 93 yeas to 108 nays, as follows: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen, Montessor T.	Messrs. Butler, William A.
Armstrong, William O.	Call, Charles A.
Babbitt, Rollin H.	Cannell, Joseph H.
Bennett, Charles H.	Carey, William H.
Bixby, Charles C.	Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.
Blake, Edwin H.	Close, George
Brewer, Edward W.	Coolidge, George H.
Brown, John F.	Crowell, Joshua

Messrs. Cutler, Samuel

Davis, Edmund A.
 Delano, John W.
 Desmond, Jeremiah
 Dexter, Solomon K.
 Donovan, James
 Dunlea, James J.
 Eames, Harry M.
 Eldridge, Albert R.
 Fisher, Albert L.
 Fisk, Edward P.
 Garity, Michael
 Gile, William A.
 Gleason, Joseph H.
 Gordon, William, Jr.
 Gray, Davis P.
 Greenwood, Morrill A.
 Gunn, Daniel
 Hagerty, David J.
 Hall, Frederick S.
 Hartwell, Benjamin H.
 Haskell, Henry C.
 Hatch, Franklin W.
 Holman, Frank E.
 Hooper, George M.
 Hunt, George H.
 Jaques, Alden P.
 Kearn, George H.
 Kimball, John W.
 Leach, William T.
 Lovell, Clarence P.
 Manning, Albert S.
 McDonald, Robert H.
 Mellen, James H.
 Miller, Albert E.
 Miller, Lyman M.
 Milliken, Daniel L.
 Morey, George F.
 Morton, Harrison E.

Messrs. Nelson, Sidney T.

Noonan, Thomas L.
 Parkman, Henry
 Pear, Isaac S.
 Perry, George R.
 Pinkerton, Alfred S.
 Preble, William H.
 Provin, William
 Qua, Francis W.
 Quinn, Philip H.
 Raymond, Samuel M.
 Robinson, Ethan C.
 Rogers, Joseph W.
 Rogers, Samuel N.
 Rounsevell, Arthur G.
 Rugg, Charles P.
 Seavey, Charles W.
 Slocum, George W.
 Slocum, Winfield S.
 Stowe, Elijah B.
 Taft, Robert L.
 Thompson, A. Cranston
 Tompkins, Isaac B.
 Trull, George W.
 Upham, Samuel O.
 Vanderhoop, Edwin D.
 Wales, Abijah T.
 Walworth, Arthur C.
 Warden, Erskine
 Ware, M. Everett
 Waters, Franklin L.
 White, William L., Jr.
 Wilde, William A.
 Wiley, Albert L.
 Willis, Rufus H.
 Winchester, Reuben
 Witt, Charles T.
 Wright, Arthur

NAVS.

Messrs. Adams, Charles E.

Atherton, Horace H.
 Atwood, Harrison H.
 Backup, John
 Bartlett, Joseph F.
 Berry, Francis T.
 Blume, Andreas

Messrs. Boardman, Francis

Brackett, Albert A.
 Brady, Peter J.
 Breed, Arthur B.
 Brigham, Arthur A.
 Brooks, A. Olin
 Burnham, William Howe

Messrs. Calnan, Patrick J.	Messrs. Lyman, Payson W.
Carman, William A.	Lyons, Henry S.
Carney, Michael	Martin, James P.
Carpenter, George N.	McCall, Samuel W.
Carroll, Peter T.	McCooley, Thomas
Champlin, Arthur B.	McDonough, John H.
Church, Moses D.	McEnaney, Thomas O.
Clark, David H.	McEttrick, Michael J.
Clark, Schuyler	Merrill, John F.
Collison, Harvey N.	Monahan, William H.
Conant, Charles W.	Norwood, Caleb J.
Conroy, James	O'Brien, Dennis J.
Conwell, David	O'Mealey, John W.
Coveney, John W.	O'Neil, John W.
Cronin, James M.	O'Neill, Thomas F.
Dame, Albert L.	Pierce, Charles Q.
Dewey, Wilson	Plaisted, John W.
Doherty, John	Pratt, Harvey H.
Dolan, Bernard	Quincy, Josiah
Donovan, Edward J.	Quinn, Andrew
Driscoll, John	Quinn, Dennis J.
Fales, Frank A.	Raymond, Francis H.
Farren, Thomas G.	Read, John
Ferry, William F.	Richards, James H.
Finney, Elkanah	Risteen, John C.
Floyd, David, 2d	Robinson, J. Henry
Flynn, Edward J.	Rogerson, Wm. B.
Flynn, Thomas J.	Russell, Alvin D.
Fottler, Jacob	Sanford, Alpheus
Friend, Henry	Sanger, Chester F.
Frost, Henry	Shaw, Edward P.
Gagan, Edward	Smith, Sidney P.
Gibson, George W.	Southwick, Benjamin F.
Gracey, Samuel L.	Spring, Charles E.
Griswold, Freeman C.	Stimpson, Daniel P.
Haggerty, Charles	Story, Cyrus
Hastings, William H.	Sullivan, Michael F.
Hathaway, James A.	Sullivan, Thomas F.
Hayes, Elihu B.	Symonds, Charles H.
Hayes, John E.	Thayer, Rufus A.
Hixon, William S.	Towne, Joseph L.
Holbrook, John A.	Turner, Henry A.
Keane, Jeremiah J.	Wardwell, J. Otis
Kendall, Horace M.	Wharton, William F.
Lally, James, Jr.	Whitcher, James E.
Leary, Edward J.	Wilkinson, John W.
Lothrop, J. Q. A.	Wyman, Ferdinand A.

On this question, Messrs. Knox of Chester, Bottum of Northampton, Henry of Fall River, Morin of Adams, Grosvenor of Ludlow, McCarthy of Brockton, Thompson of Lowell, Riddell of Nantucket, Milne of Fall River, Temple of Colrain, Peirson of Pittsfield, Goss of Amesbury, Allen of Auburn, Hitchcock of Ware, Winthrop of Stockbridge and Hinchcliffe of Lawrence, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired, respectively, with Messrs. Dresser of Medford, Schier of Beverly, Russell of Somerville, Tyler of Middleton, Perkins of Winchendon, Kennedy of Boston, Woodward of Wakefield, Woods of Boston, Colby of Boston, Poore of Bradford, Manning of Worcester, Dame of Newbury, Gleason of Holbrook, Haynes of Sturbridge, Wadlin of Reading and Dennis of Gloucester.

Mr. Qua of Lowell moved to reconsider the vote whereby the bill was refused a third reading, and the motion was placed first in the orders of the day for to-morrow, under the rule.

At ten minutes past five o'clock, adjourned.

Messrs. Calnan, Patrick J.	Messrs. Lyman, Payson W.
Carman, William A.	Lyons, Henry S.
Carney, Michael	Martin, James P.
Carpenter, George N.	McCall, Samuel W.
Carroll, Peter T.	McCooley, Thomas
Champlin, Arthur B.	McDonough, John H.
Church, Moses D.	McEnaney, Thomas O.
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Gibson, George W.	Southwick, Benjamin F.
Gracey, Samuel L.	Spring, Charles E.
Griswold, Freeman C.	Stimpson, Daniel P.
Haggerty, Charles	Story, Cyrus
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Mr. Qua of Lowell moved to reconsider the vote whereby the bill was refused a third reading, and the motion was placed first in the orders of the day for to-morrow, under the rule.

At ten minutes past five o'clock, adjourned.

Office accom-
modations for
the Harbor and
Land Commis-
sioners.

By Mr. Fottler of Boston, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on so much of the report of the Harbor and Land Commissioners as relates to office accommodations for said commissioners.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Employment of
minors and
women.

By Mr. Quincy of Quincy, from the committee on Labor, on a petition, a Bill to further amend section 4 of chapter 74 of the Public Statutes in relation to the employment of minors and women.

Hours of labor
of conductors
and drivers
upon street
railways.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to regulate the hours of labor of conductors and drivers upon street railways.

Widening of
Summer Street
in the town of
Manchester.

By Mr. Hatch of Marshfield, from the committee on Roads and Bridges, on a petition, a Bill authorizing the selectmen of the town of Manchester to widen a way in said town, known as Summer Street, by taking a portion of a burial ground.

Fairhaven
Water Com-
pany.

By Mr. Backup of Boston, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition (recommitted), a Bill to incorporate the Fairhaven Water Company.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Publication of
report of Com-
missioners of
Savings Banks.

By Mr. Kimball of Northampton, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill relating to the publication of the annual report of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks ought to pass.

Thomas
Fitzmaurice.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of Thomas Fitzmaurice ought to pass.

State Top-
ographical
Survey for the
year 1887.

By Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, from the same committee, that the Resolve providing for printing additional copies of the report of the Commissioners of the State Topographical Survey for the year 1887 ought to pass.

Taunton
Lunatic Hos-
pital.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Resolve providing for certain changes and improvements at the Taunton Lunatic Hospital ought to pass.

New index to
the Public
Statutes.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, from the same committee, that the Resolve providing for the printing and distribution of the new index to the Public Statutes ought to pass.

George White.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve in favor of George White ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill to provide a bounty for the destruction of seals ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday, the question being on the rejection of the bill. Destruction of seals.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills:

To authorize the county commissioners of Worcester County to enlarge the jail and house of correction at Fitchburg; Bills enacted.

To authorize the city of Worcester to borrow money for the purposes of public parks;

To give to the town of Quincy certain powers in relation to the brooks and streams therein; and

To amend an act to incorporate the Powow Hill Water Company;

(Which severally originated in the House);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves:

Providing for the erection of additional houses for the use of the officers at the State Prison at Boston; Resolves passed.

and
In relation to the topographical survey and map of Massachusetts;

(Which severally originated in the House); and

Confirming the acts of Francis C. Welch, as a justice of the peace (which originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Qua of Lowell, the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the Bill to incorporate the town of Beverly Farms was refused a third reading, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, by a vote of 139 to 18. Mr. Qua moved to lay the motion to reconsider on the table. The motion was lost by a vote of 86 to 110. The motion to reconsider was then rejected, and notice of the rejection of the bill was sent to the Senate. Beverly Farms.

Additional
terms of the
Superior
Court for the
County of
Bristol.

On motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill the Bill to establish additional terms of the Superior Court for the county of Bristol was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, laid on the table.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Orders of the
Day.

Of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of C. T. Deblois and others for a mandatory law imposing imprisonment for carelessness in the use of firearms ; and

Of the committee on Probate and Insolvency, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending section 65, chapter 178 of the Public Statutes as to better define and protect the rights of executors, administrators and others who may have rights in land of which partition is made by sale ;

Were severally accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, no legislation necessary, on the supplementary report of the Commissioners of Savings Banks relating to unclaimed deposits ;

Of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the establishment of evening schools in towns whenever the school committee of the town learn that there are ten or more illiterate minors fourteen years of age or over residing in the town ;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to changing the time for holding the sessions of the Superior Court in the several counties of the Commonwealth ; and

On an order relative to repealing chapter 24 of the Acts of 1885, relative to presentation and publication of certain petitions to the General Court ;

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles W. Sumner and others that the sittings of the Superior Court of Plymouth County may be begun and holden at Brockton, with power of adjournment to Plymouth ;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw :

On the petition of J. M. W. Hall and others for an act of incorporation as the Bay State Lumber Association ; and

On the petition of I. C. Foster and others for incorporation as the Mount Pleasant Cemetery Association ; and

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the State furnishing aid to manufacturing, industrial, railway and other enterprises ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor of the city of Boston for the establishment of municipal voting districts in said city ; and

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, no further legislation necessary, on the annual report of the Attorney-General ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To incorporate the First Unitarian Society in Revere, and to confirm its title to certain real estate ;

Authorizing the planting of clams in and around the shores of Winthrop ;

To amend an act to protect game, and to protect private lands from trespass ;

Relating to the settlement of estates of deceased persons ;

Relative to the payment of witnesses in inquests and in criminal proceedings before trial justices and the inferior courts ;

Relating to the publication of notices of sale by mortgagees of real estate ;

Relating to the Collateral Loan Company ;

Relating to the sale of its real estate by the First Baptist Society in Chelsea ;

To enable the Trustees of the Foxborough Cemetery Corporation to take and hold additional real estate ;

To authorize the Ohabei Shalom in Boston to hold additional real and personal estate ;

In relation to voting by proxy in corporations ;

Authorizing the planting of clams in and around the shores of Chebacco River in Essex ;

To provide for the appointment of an Assistant District Attorney for the Middle District ; and

Additional
terms of the
Superior
Court for the
County of
Bristol.

On motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill the Bill to establish additional terms of the Superior Court for the county of Bristol was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, laid on the table.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Orders of the
Day.

Of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of C. T. Deblois and others for a mandatory law imposing imprisonment for carelessness in the use of firearms ; and

Of the committee on Probate and Insolvency, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending section 65, chapter 178 of the Public Statutes as to better define and protect the rights of executors, administrators and others who may have rights in land of which partition is made by sale ;

Were severally accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, no legislation necessary, on the supplementary report of the Commissioners of Savings Banks relating to unclaimed deposits ;

Of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the establishment of evening schools in towns whenever the school committee of the town learn that there are ten or more illiterate minors fourteen years of age or over residing in the town ;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to changing the time for holding the sessions of the Superior Court in the several counties of the Commonwealth ; and

On an order relative to repealing chapter 24 of the Acts of 1885, relative to presentation and publication of certain petitions to the General Court ;

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles W. Sumner and others that the sittings of the Superior Court of Plymouth County may be begun and holden at Brockton, with power of adjournment to Plymouth ;

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Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor of the city of Boston for the establishment of municipal voting districts in said city ; and

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, no further legislation necessary, on the annual report of the Attorney-General ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

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To enable the Trustees of the Foxborough Cemetery Corporation to take and hold additional real estate ;

To authorize the Ohabei Shalom in Boston to hold additional real and personal estate ;

In relation to voting by proxy in corporations ;

Authorizing the planting of clams in and around the shores of Chebacco River in Essex ;

To provide for the appointment of an Assistant District Attorney for the Middle District ; and

To establish public weighers of salt-water fish landed from vessels ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Relating to payment of costs after commitment, or after appeals are withdrawn ;

To authorize the city of Lynn to make an additional water loan ;

Relating to appeals from probate courts ; and

To amend chapter 178 of the Public Statutes relating to partition of lands ; and

Resolves :

Providing for the payment of current expenses at the Westborough Insane Hospital at Westborough ; and

Providing for the publication of a digest of the decisions of the Board of Railroad Commissioners ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to incorporate the Marlborough Street Railway Company (amended as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ; and the

Resolve relative to prosecuting certain claims of the Commonwealth against the United States ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, the bill being sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

The Bill to enable the First Parish of West Roxbury to make by-laws the same as if organized under the Public Statutes, was read a third time. The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending its recommendation to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies. The report was read and accepted, and the bill was recommitted, as recommended by the committee.

The Bill (on leave) relating to co-operative banks was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Banks and Banking, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate.

The Bill (on leave) in relation to the county treasurers and county finances was rejected, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary.

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Rule 15 Suspended.

On motion of Mr. Hall of Taunton, Rule 15 was suspended with reference to the reports accepted and the bills passed to be engrossed.

At six minutes before three o'clock, adjourned.

MONDAY, March 19, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report Received.

Report of the
Board of Gas
Commissioners.

The third annual report of the Board of Gas Commissioners for the year 1887 was received and referred to the committee on Manufactures, and sent up for concurrence.

Petitions Presented.

Oleomargarine.

By Mr. Wiley of Hardwick, petition of John J. Newcomb and others; by Mr. Taft of Marlborough, petition of M. V. Thomson and others of Monterey; by Mr. Miller of Needham, petition of Eben Higgins and others of Dover; by Mr. Robinson of Southborough, petition of Pliny B. Southwick and others of Berlin; by Mr. Brigham of Marlborough, petition of C. H. Kennedy and others of Hudson; and by Mr. Lyman of Belchertown, petition of William H. Bridgman and others,—severally, for legislation to prohibit the coloring of oleomargarine, butterine and like compounds in imitation of butter.

Severally referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Lynn.

By Mr. Breed of Lynn, petition of the city of Lynn for legislation to empower the city of Lynn to require all fees pertaining to all departments of said city to be paid into the treasury, and that said city may determine a specific sum to be paid as an annual salary to all officers, clerks, etc. Referred to the committee on Cities, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Woodcock and
ruffed grouse.

By Mr. Holman of Clinton, remonstrances of Herbert Parker and others of Lancaster, and of Walter P. Bowers and others of Clinton,—severally, against any change in the law relating to the time of taking and killing of woodcock and ruffed grouse, commonly known as partridge.

Severally referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, remonstrance of Thomas P. Cahill and others against the repeal of the law abolishing contract convict labor throughout the State. Referred to the committee on Labor. Contract convict labor.

By Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, petition of Charles E. Fogerty, Battery B, Light Infantry, M. V. M., for compensation for injury received in discharge of actual military duty. Referred to the committee on Military Affairs, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule. Charles E. Fogerty.

By Mr. Dolan of Avon, petition of the East Stoughton Baptist Church for a change of name. Referred to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule. East Stoughton Baptist Church.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. Collison of Boston, was adopted, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule: —

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of legislation for the appointment of special guardians in certain cases. Appointment of special guardians in certain cases.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order was adopted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule: —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service consider the expediency of increasing the salary of the Auditor of the Commonwealth. Salary of the Auditor of the Commonwealth.

The following order was referred, under the 12th Joint Rule, to the next General Court, the House having refused to concur with the Senate in the suspension of the rule by a vote of 102 to 41: —

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of reporting a general law permitting railroad companies chartered under the laws of Massachusetts to consolidate with any connecting road or to acquire such roads by purchase. General law for the consolidation of railroad companies.

A report of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to prohibiting persons from being employed in a factory, workshop or mercantile Labor on legal holidays.

establishments upon legal holidays (Mr. Howard, of the Senate, and Messrs. Mellen of Worcester and Keane of Holyoke, of the House, dissenting), accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Salary of the clerk of the Second District Court of Eastern Middlesex.

The Senate report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of A. O. Delano, clerk of the Second District Court of Eastern Middlesex, for an increase of salary, recommitted in the House to the committee on Public Service and sent up for concurrence, came down with the endorsement that the Senate non-concurred. On motion of Mr. Warden of Waltham, the House insisted on its recommitment, and the report was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Call-firemen of Boston.

A Bill to amend an act in relation to pensioning disabled members of the fire department of the city of Boston, and for other purposes (substituted in the Senate for a report, leave to withdraw, on petitions), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Third assistant clerk of the Superior Court, civil session, of the county of Suffolk.

The Bill providing for a third assistant clerk of the Superior Court, civil session, of the county of Suffolk, passed to be engrossed by the House, came down from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments, in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Oleomargarine.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence: Petitions of F. N. Oxley and others, and Charles P. Rockwood and others of Ashland, — severally, to prohibit the coloring of oleomargarine, butterine and other like compounds in imitation of butter.

Severally to the committee on Agriculture.

High school for the city of Lynn.

Petition of the mayor of the city of Lynn that said city be authorized to borrow a sum of money, not exceeding one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, for the purpose of providing suitable high school accommodations. To the committee on Cities, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Backup of Boston, the Bill concerning the waters of Spy Pond in the town of Arlington, of Little Pond and Wellington Brook in the town of Belmont, was taken from the table and considered, the question being on its engrossment. Mr. Backup moved an amendment, which was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and was sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

Cambridge water supply.—Spy Pond in Arlington, and Little Pond and Wellington Brook in Belmont.

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House on Monday, March 12, accepted the report of the committee on Labor, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of F. A. Kennedy Company and others for legislation authorizing the chief of the State Police to grant special permits to extend the hours of labor, was taken from the table, and, after debate, was rejected by a vote of 65 to 77.

Special permits to the chief of State Police to extend the hours of labor

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Miller of Chelsea, from the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the city of Newburyport for authority to discontinue the town landing in said city and to improve the same.

Town landing in Newburyport.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Samuel Coffin and others that the town of Salisbury may be annexed to the judicial district of Newburyport.

Annexation of Salisbury to the judicial district of Newburyport.

By Mr. Goss of Amesbury, from the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John M. Berry for State loans for the people for building purposes. [Messrs. Howard and Keith, of the Senate, and Messrs. Mellen of Worcester, Quincy of Quincy and Keane of Holyoke, of the House, dissenting.]

State loans for the people for building purposes.

By Mr. Simonds of Westminster, from the same committee, no legislation necessary, on the eighteenth annual report of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor.

Report of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor.

By Mr. Rogers of Orleans, from the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to further restricting the sale of alcohol.

Alcohol.

By Mr. McEttrick of Boston, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring a bond from applicants to sell intoxicating liquors, to be forfeited under certain conditions.

Forfeiture of bonds of licensed liquor dealers.

Mary Nuttall.

By Mr. Perkins of Winchendon, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Mary Nuttall that she may be recompensed for suffering caused by the death of her brother at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Benevolent building associations.

By Mr. Goss of Amesbury, from the committee on Labor, that the Bill (taken from the files of last year) to promote the establishment of benevolent building associations ought not to pass. [Messrs. Howard and Keith, of the Senate, and Messrs. Mellen of Worcester, Quincy of Quincy and Keane of Holyoke, of the House, dissenting.] Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

Violation of rules and regulations established by boards of fire engineers.

By Mr. Bottum of Northampton, from the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill to provide a penalty for the violation of the rules or regulations established by boards of fire engineers.

Owen McDonald

By Mr. Hartwell of Ayer, from the committee on Finance, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Owen McDonald.

Police matrons in cities, — women detained or received at police stations.

By Mr. Parkman of Boston, from the committee on Cities, on an order, a Bill relative to women detained or received at police stations.

Second district court of Essex.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, on petitions, a Bill to establish the second district court of Essex.

Sale of intoxicating liquor on Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day.

By Mr. Cronin of Worcester, from the committee on the Liquor Law, on an order and petitions, a Bill to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquor on Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day.

Board of Railroad Commissioners, — selectmen of Wareham and the Onset Street Railway Company.

By Mr. E. J. Donovan of Boston, from the committee on Street Railways, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the Board of Railroad Commissioners to hear and determine matters of difference between the selectmen of Wareham and the Onset Street Railway Company. [Mr. Tucker, of the Senate, and Messrs. Dresser of Medford and Gunn of Boston, of the House, dissenting.]

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.]

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills:

Bills enacted.

To enable towns to discontinue voting precincts;

In relation to affidavits of notice of appointment and sales of real estate by administrators and executors ;

To permit the construction of a railroad across land of the Westborough Insane Hospital ; and

To cause proper sanitary provisions and proper ventilation in public buildings and schoolhouses ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

To confirm the acts of George W. Estabrook as a notary public ; and Resolves passed.

Providing for extra clerical assistance in the office of the Insurance Commissioner ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

Relative to prosecuting certain claims of the Commonwealth against the United States (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motions of Mr. Wadlin of Reading, the report of the committee on Education, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology for aid from the Commonwealth, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table. Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

On motions of Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, the report of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor of the city of Worcester that the number of registered voters in any precinct of the said city be fixed at one thousand instead of eight hundred, as is now provided, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table. Fixing the number of registered voters in any precinct in the city of Worcester.

On motions of Mr. Wharton of Boston, the report of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Causten Browne and others for regulation of fares on street railways in the city of Boston, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was recommitted to the committee on Street Railways and sent up for concurrence. Regulation of fares on street railways in the city of Boston.

Hours of labor
of conductors
and drivers
upon street
railways.

Point of order.

On motion of Mr. Barrett of Melrose, the Bill to regulate the hours of labor of conductors and drivers upon street railways was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, the same gentleman raised the point of order that the bill was not germane to the subject-matter of the order considered by the committee. Pending the question of order and pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, laid on the table.

Orders of the Day.

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Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Agriculture, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to regulating the practice of veterinary medicine ;

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors in wards of cities where the majority of votes cast is not in favor of granting such licenses ;

Of the committee on State House, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to furnishing electric light to the several departments and offices in the State House and Commonwealth Building ; and

On so much of the report of the Harbor and Land Commissioners as relates to office accommodations for said commissioners ;

Were severally accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the towns of Rockland and Abington to supply the town of Hanover, or the inhabitants thereof, with water ;

Prohibiting railroad corporations to require women and children to ride in smoking-cars ;

To establish the salary of the justice of the second district court of Southern Worcester ;

Relative to the declaration of the results of elections in cities, and the issue of certificates to persons elected ;

Authorizing the selectmen of the town of Manchester to widen a way in said town, known as Summer Street, by taking a portion of a burial ground ;

To incorporate the Fairhaven Water Company ;

Relating to the publication of the annual report of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks ;

Concerning the investments of mutual life insurance companies ;

Regulating the sale and purchase of poisons ; and

Relating to the preservation of the purity of water supplies ; and

Resolves :

Providing for printing additional copies of the report of the Commissioners of the State Topographical Survey for the year 1887 ;

In favor of Thomas Fitzmaurice ;

Providing for certain changes and improvements at the Taunton Lunatic Hospital ; and

In favor of George White ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To amend an act to protect game, and to protect private lands from trespass ;

Relative to the payment of witnesses in inquests and in criminal proceedings before trial justices and the police, district and municipal courts (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

Relating to the Collateral Loan Company ;

Relating to the sale of its real estate by the First Baptist Society in Chelsea ; and

To authorize the Ohabei Shalom in Boston to hold additional real and personal estate ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To provide for the appointment of an Assistant District Attorney for the Middle District ;

To establish public weighers of salt-water fish landed from vessels ; and the

Resolve in addition to a resolve relating to sewage disposal in the Mystic and Charles River Valleys ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill in relation to the tenure of office of police in the various cities of the Commonwealth was further con-

sidered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Amendments were moved by Messrs. Symonds of Salem, Hayes of Lynn and Mellen of Worcester. Mr. Hall of Taunton moved to substitute a "Bill to provide for the tenure of office of members of the regular police force in cities," which was read, and, pending the various amendments, and pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, on further motion of Mr. Hall.

The Bill to authorize the Framingham Union Street Railway Company to issue mortgage bonds was read a second time and considered, and, after debate, was rejected, by a vote of 31 to 49.

The Bill to incorporate the Postal Automatic Telegraph and Construction Company was read a third time, and, after debate, was rejected.

The Bill prohibiting statements relative to the voting at elections in towns prior to the public declaration of the result thereof, was read a second time and considered. Mr. Barrett of Melrose moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed. After debate, Mr. Wilde of Malden moved the previous question. Pending these motions, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, Mr. Dunlea of Boston asked for a count of the House to ascertain if a quorum were present. A count showed that but 87 members were present. Thereupon the House,

At five o'clock, adjourned.

TUESDAY, March 20, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Poore of Bradford, petition of E. A. Emerson and others; by Mr. Clark of Wilbraham, petition of E. A. Smith and others; by Mr. Goss of Amesbury, petition of Edward W. Paige and others; by Mr. Gile of Worcester, petition of W. C. Jewett and others; by Mr. Fisher of Grafton, petition of Joseph A. Dodge and others; by Mr. Blake of Bedford, petition of F. G. Pratt and others; by Mr. Gray of Northbridge, petition of E. L. Hill and others; and by Mr. O'Neill of Sudbury, petition of F. M. Bowker and others, — severally, for legislation to prohibit the coloring of oleomargarine, butterine and like compounds in imitation of butter.

Oleomargarine.

Severally referred to the committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Holman of Clinton, remonstrances of W. Barrows and others of Reading; and of William H. Carter and others of Wilmington, — severally, against any change in the law relating to the time of taking and killing woodcock and ruffed grouse, commonly known as partridge.

Woodcock and ruffed grouse.

Severally referred to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, petitions of James Macdonald and others; and of William Cordingley and others, — severally, for the enactment of a law fixing the hours of labor for State, city and town employees at eight hours per day.

Hours of labor for State, city and town employees.

Severally referred to the committee on Labor.

By Mr. Robinson of Springfield, petition of David Thayer, M. D., and 118 others, physicians; of A. C. Brown and 436 others; and of Ira L. Moore, M. D., and 83 others, physicians and chemists, — severally, for a law to permit the manufacture, without penalty, of water gas for illuminating purposes.

Water gas.

Severally referred to the committee on Manufactures.

Middlesex Land
Company.

Petition of Charles E. Raymond and another for the incorporation of the Middlesex Land Company in the county of Middlesex. To the committee on Mercantile Affairs, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Reports of Committees.

Voting of real
estate owners

By Mr. O'Neil of Boston, from the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to authorizing legal voters owning real estate in cities and paying a tax thereon to vote at municipal elections in said cities notwithstanding that they vote and have a legal residence elsewhere. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Estates tail.

By Mr. Sohier of Beverly, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on two orders, a Bill relating to estates tail.

Building for
probate and
insolvency
courts and addi-
tional room for
the registry of
deeds in
Cambridge.

By Mr. Clark of Huntington, from the committee on County Estimates, that the Bill (recommitted) authorizing the county commissioners of Middlesex County to erect an addition to the registry of deeds building in Cambridge ought to pass in a new draft with the same title.

Trustees of the
City Library of
Lowell.

By Mr. Wilde of Malden, from the committee on Education, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Trustees of the City Library of Lowell.

Hours of labor
of conductors
and drivers
upon street
railways.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, from the committee on Labor, that the Bill (recommitted) to regulate the hours of labor of conductors and drivers upon street railways ought to pass in a new draft with the same title.

Limit of number
of licenses
to sell intoxicating
liquors.

By Mr. Eames of Lawrence, from the committee on the Liquor Law, on two orders, a Bill to limit the number of licenses to sell intoxicating liquors. [Mr. Gleason, of the Senate, and Messrs. Manning of Worcester, Haynes of Sturbridge and Rogers of Orleans, of the House, dissenting, and recommending the passage of a substitute bill.]

Release from
and return to
county prisons
of prisoners
transferred
thereto from the
Reformatory
Prison for
Women.

By Mr. Hall of Taunton, from the committee on Prisons, on the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons on the Reformatory Prison for Women, in part, a Bill to provide for the release from and return to county prisons of prisoners transferred thereto from the Reformatory Prison for Women.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. McCall of Winchester, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on an order, a Bill relating to clerical assistance in the office of the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Suffolk. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Clerical assistance in the office of the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Suffolk.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To authorize the proprietors of the Harmony Grove Cemetery of Salem to hold additional real estate ;

Bills enacted.

In relation to actions upon fire insurance policies ;

To establish the salary of the assistant register of probate and insolvency for the county of Worcester ; and

Providing for a third assistant clerk of the Superior Court, civil session, of the county of Suffolk ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. E. J. Donovan of Boston, the Bill to authorize the Board of Railroad Commissioners to hear and determine matters of difference between the selectmen of Wareham and the Onset Street Railway Company was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, laid on the table.

Selectmen of Wareham and the Onset Street Railway Company.

Orders of the Day.

The Bill prohibiting statements relative to the voting at elections in towns prior to the public declaration of the result thereof was further considered. The motion for the previous question, moved by Mr. Wilde of Malden, was carried, and the bill was ordered to a third reading by a vote of 85 to 66.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the city of Newburyport for authority to discontinue the town landing in said city, and to improve the same ;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Samuel Coffin and others that the town of Salisbury may be annexed to the judicial district of Newburyport; and

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, leave to withdraw on the petition of Mary Nuttall that she may be recompensed for suffering caused by the death of her brother at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills:

Relative to women detained or received at police stations;

To provide a penalty for the violation of the rules or regulations established by boards of fire engineers; and

To establish the second district court of Essex; and the Resolve in favor of Owen McDonald;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to third reading.

Bills:

Relating to the publication of notices of sale by mortgagees of real estate;

To authorize the towns of Rockland and Abington to supply the town of Hanover, or the inhabitants thereof, with water;

To establish the salary of the justice of the second district court of Southern Worcester; and

To incorporate the Fairhaven Water Company; and Resolves:

In favor of Thomas Fitzmaurice; and

Providing for certain changes and improvements at the Taunton Lunatic Hospital;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills:

Relative to the declaration of the results of elections in cities, and the issue of certificates to persons elected;

Concerning the investments of mutual life insurance companies; and

Relating to the preservation of the purity of water supplies; and the

Resolve in favor of George White;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill giving to women qualified to vote for members of the school committee in any city or town the right to vote on the question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors in such city or town, was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. On motion of Mr. Milliken of Malden, it was voted that debate on this question be closed at half-past four o'clock, unless a vote should be sooner reached; and, on motion of Mr. Barrett of Melrose, that speeches be limited to ten minutes each. After debate, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Milliken, and, the roll being called, the bill was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence by a vote of 100 yeas to 92 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen, John J.

Allen, Montessor T.
Armstrong, William O.
Atherton, Horace H.
Babbitt, Rollin H.
Barrett, William E.
Bartlett, Joseph F.
Bottum, John B.
Brackett, Albert A.
Breed, Arthur B.
Brigham, Arthur A.
Burnham, William Howe
Cannell, Joseph H.
Carpenter, George N.
Church, Moses D.
Clark, David H.
Clark, Henry
Close, George
Conant, Charles W.
Conwell, David
Crowell, Joshua
Cutler, Samuel
Dame, Luther
Dexter, Solomon K.
Dresser, Theodore P.
Fales, Frank A.
Ferry, William F.
Finney, Elkanah
Fisher, Albert L.
Floyd, David, 2d
Frost, Henry

Messrs. Gile, William A.

Gleason, Willard F.
Goss, Charles
Gracey, Samuel L.
Gray, Davis P.
Gunn, Daniel
Hartwell, Benjamin H.
Hatch, Franklin W.
Hathaway, James A.
Hayes, Elihu B.
Haynes, Henry D.
Henry, Robert
Hinchcliffe, William J.
Hitchcock, Calvin
Hixon, William S.
Holbrook, John A.
Holman, Frank E.
Hunt, George H.
Kimball, John W.
Leach, William T.
Lothrop, J. Q. A.
Lovell, Clarence P.
Lyman, Payson W.
Manning, David, Jr.
McCall, Samuel W.
Merrill, John F.
Miller, Albert E.
Milliken, Daniel L.
Pear, Isaac S.
Peirson, Henry M.
Perkins, Nathaniel R.

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Messrs. Perry, George R.	Messrs. Thompson, A. Cranston
Pinkerton, Alfred S.	Tompkins, Isaac B.
Plaisted, John W.	Trull, George W.
Quincy, Josiah	Turner, Henry A.
Raymond, Francis H.	Vanderhoop, Edwin D.
Risteen, John C.	Wadlin, Horace G.
Robinson, J. Henry	Wales, Abijah T.
Rogers, Joseph W.	Warden, Erskine
Rogers, Samuel N.	Waters, Franklin L.
Rogerson, William B.	Whitcher, James E.
Rounsevell, Arthur G.	White, William L., Jr.
Seavey, Charles W.	Wilde, William A.
Slocum, Winfield S.	Wiley, Albert L.
Smith, Sidney P.	Wilkinson, John W.
Stimpson, Daniel P.	Willis, Rufus H.
Stowe, Elijah B.	Witt, Charles T.
Taft, Robert L.	Woodward, Charles F.
Temple, Albert H.	Wright, Arthur
Thayer, Rufus A.	Wyman, Ferdinand A.

NAYS.

Messrs. Atwood, Harrison H.	Messrs. Driscoll, John
Bennett, Charles H.	Dunlea, James J.
Berry, Francis T.	Eames, Harry M.
Bixby, Charles C.	Farren, Thomas G.
Blake, Edwin H.	Fisk, Edward P.
Blume, Andreas	Flynn, Edward J.
Boardman, Francis	Flynn, Thomas J.
Brady, Peter J.	Gagan, Edward
Brewer, Edward W.	Garity, Michael
Brooks, A. Olin	Gibson, George W.
Brown, John F.	Gleason, Joseph H.
Call, Charles A.	Griswold, Freeman C.
Calnan, Patrick J.	Hagerty, David J.
Carey, William H.	Haggerty, Charles
Carman, William A.	Hall, Frederick S.
Carney, Michael	Haskell, Henry C.
Carroll, Peter T.	Hastings, William H.
Clark, Schuyler	Hayes, John E.
Collison, Harvey N.	Hooper, George M.
Conroy, James	Keane, Jeremiah J.
Cronin, James M.	Kearn, George H.
Dame, Albert L.	Kendall, Horace M.
Desmond, Jeremiah	Kennedy, Patrick J.
Doherty, John	Kimball, Henry A.
Dolan, Bernard	Knox, Charles H.
Donovan, Edward J.	Lally, James, Jr.
Donovan, James	Leary, Edward J.

Messrs. Lyons, Henry S.
 Manning, Albert S.
 McCooey, Thomas
 McDonald, Robert H.
 McDonough, John H.
 McEnaney, Thomas O.
 McEttrick, Michael J.
 Mellen, James H.
 Monahan, William H.
 Morin, John M.
 Morton, Harrison E.
 Norwood, Caleb J.
 O'Brien, Dennis J.
 O'Mealey, John W.
 O'Neil, John W.
 O'Neill, Thomas F.
 Poore, William H.
 Pratt, Harvey H.
 Provin, William

Messrs. Quinn, Andrew
 Quinn, Philip H.
 Raymond, Samuel M.
 Read, John
 Riddell, Henry
 Robinson, Ethan C.
 Russell, Irving L.
 Sanford, Alpheus
 Sanger, Chester F.
 Shepard, Charles F.
 Slocum, George W.
 Southwick, Benjamin F.
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 Sullivan, Thomas F.
 Towne, Joseph L.
 Tyler, Anson P.
 Upham, Samuel O.
 Wardwell, J. Otis
 Wharton, William F.

Yeas, 100 ; nays, 92.

On this question, Messrs. Adams of Lowell, Dennis of Gloucester, Hill of Spencer, Richards of Lynn, Rugg of New Bedford, Coolidge of West Brookfield, Davis of Somerset, Nelson of Lakeville, Colby of Boston, Eldridge of Bourne, Butler of Georgetown, Story of Gloucester, Cheney of Worcester, Champlin of Chelsea, Simonds of Westminster, Qua of Lowell, Milne of Fall River and Morey of Lowell, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired, respectively, with Messrs. Coveney of Cambridge, Preble of Boston, Symonds of Salem, Winthrop of Stockbridge, Backup of Boston, Grosvenor of Ludlow, Sohier of Beverly, Delano of Marion, Spring of Holliston, Jaques of Haverhill, Noonan of Boston, Friend of Gloucester, Greenwood of Leominster, Pierce of Watertown, Winchester of Holyoke, Parkman of Boston, Ware of Boston and Miller of Chelsea.

At five o'clock, adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, March 21, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

Trinitarian
Church in New
Bedford.

By Mr. Rugg of New Bedford, petition of the Trinitarian Church in New Bedford for legislation confirming and ratifying certain proceedings of said church, and for authority to hold, purchase and receive by gift or otherwise real and personal estate to the value of \$200,000. Referred to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence.

Hours of labor
of conductors
and drivers on
street railways.

By Mr. Blume of Boston, remonstrance of the Worcester Consolidated Railroad Company, and other street railway companies; and by Mr. Upham of Waltham, remonstrance of the Lynn and Boston Railroad Company, and other street railway companies, — severally, against the passage of the Bill to regulate the hours of labor of conductors and drivers upon street railways.

Severally placed on file.

Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. Hall of Taunton, was, at his request, laid over until to-morrow : —

Hour of meet-
ing, morning
sessions, recess
and hour of
adjournment.

Ordered, That on and after Tuesday, March 27, the House until otherwise ordered, shall meet at eleven o'clock A. M., except on Mondays and Saturdays; and, whenever the House is in session at quarter before one o'clock P. M., the Speaker shall declare a recess until two o'clock P. M., and whenever the House is in session at five o'clock P. M., the Speaker shall declare an adjournment upon the completion of the matter of business upon which the House is engaged at that time.

Reconsideration.

Naval con-
tingent in the
militia.

Mr. Read of Cambridge moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, refused to concur with the Senate in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule on the

order relative to creating a naval contingent in the militia. The motion prevailed, and the question recurring on concurring in the suspension of the rule, it was suspended and the order was adopted, in concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on Prisons, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of so much of the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons on the Reformatory Prison for Women as relates to increase of salaries in said institution, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Public Service, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence.

Salaries of employees at Reformatory Prison for Women.

A report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the order relative to providing annual salaries for clerks of courts and recommending that the subject-matter thereof be referred to the committee on the Judiciary on the part of the Senate, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, in so much as relates to the discharge of the committee.

Annual salaries for clerks of courts.

Bills :

To incorporate the Lowell Land Company in the city of Lowell (reported on a petition) ;

Lowell Land Company.

To establish the salaries of the constables in attendance at the sessions of the Municipal Court for criminal business in the city of Boston (reported on a petition) ;

Salaries of the constables of the municipal court for criminal business in the city of Boston.

To provide extra clerical assistance for the clerk of the Central District Court of Worcester (reported on an order) ;

Extra clerical assistance for the clerk of the Central District Court of Worcester.

Relating to the election of members of the common council from wards twenty-two and twenty-five in the city of Boston (reported on a petition) ; and

Members of the common council from wards 22 and 25 in the city of Boston. Stock of associations formed for charitable, educational and other purposes.

Relative to the stock of associations formed for charitable, educational and other purposes (reported on a petition) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

The Resolve to confirm the acts of Henry Walker as justice of the peace and of the quorum, passed to be engrossed by the House, came down from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain amendments.

Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendments.

Marlborough
Street Railway
Company.

The Senate Bill to incorporate the Marlborough Street Railway Company, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, by the House, with an amendment, and sent up for concurrence, came down from the Senate, with the endorsement that the Senate non-concurred. On motion of Mr. E. J. Donovan of Boston, the House receded, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The following House order came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule : —

Appointment of
special guar-
dians in certain
cases.

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of legislation for the appointment of special guardians in certain cases.

Reports of Committees.

Reduction of
the amount that
one depositor
may place in a
savings bank.

By Mr. Milne of Fall River, from the committee on Banks and Banking, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to reducing the limit or sum that one depositor may place in a savings bank.

Employment of
male employees
by manufactur-
ing, mechanical
and mercantile
firms, and rail-
road corpora-
tions.

By Mr. Simonds of Westminster, from the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to regulating the employing of male employees by manufacturing, mechanical and mercantile firms and railroad corporations where said employees are required to labor more than ten hours per day. [Mr. Keane of Holyoke, of the House, dissenting.]

Annexation of a
part of Hanson
to the town of
Whitman.

By Mr. Greenwood of Leominster, from the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of Horace Reed and others that a part of the town of Hanson may be annexed to the town of Whitman.

Division of the
town of Med-
ford.

By Mr. Coolidge of West Brookfield, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on petitions of C. M. Barrett and others that a part of the town of Medford be set off and incorporated as the town of Brooks.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Insurance, — re-
turns and sta-
tistics of fires.

By Mr. Henry of Fall River, from the committee on Insurance, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to prevention of waste by fire, a Bill in relation to returns and statistics of fires.

By Mr. Haynes of Sturbridge, from the committee on the Liquor Law, on an order and a Bill (recommitted) to amend an act to limit and regulate the sale of intoxicating liquors by retail druggists and apothecaries, a Bill to amend an act to limit and regulate the sale of intoxicating liquors by druggists and apothecaries.

Sale of intoxicating liquors by druggists and apothecaries.

By Mr. Nelson of Lakeville, from the committee on Taxation, on an order, a Bill relative to the right of the public to examine the valuation books of the assessors of cities and towns.

Right of the public to examine the valuation books of the assessors of cities and towns.

By Mr. Winthrop of Stockbridge, from the committee on Towns, on an order, a Bill to amend an act to establish the office of auditor in towns.

Office of auditor in towns.

By Mr. Wilde of Malden, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition, a Bill to provide a further water supply for the city of Malden.

Malden water supply.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Kimball of Northampton, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Resolve in favor of William and Mary Reardon ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

William and Mary Reardon.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill to expedite the settlement of claims for pensions ought not to pass.

Settlement of claims for pensions.

By Mr. Hartwell of Ayer, from the same committee, that the Resolve providing for an investigation of the pollution of ponds and streams from which ice is cut for domestic use ought not to pass.

Pollution of ponds and streams from which ice is cut.

By Mr. Coolidge of West Brookfield, from the committee on Towns, that the Bill (taken from the Senate files of last year) to incorporate the town of Brooks ought not to pass.

Town of Brooks.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question in each case being on rejection.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

To authorize the East Middlesex Street Railway Company to locate its track in the city of Chelsea ;

Bills enacted.

To amend an act to extend and regulate the liability of employers to make compensation for personal injuries suffered by employees in their service ;

To amend section 33 of chapter 13 of the Public Statutes, relative to the returns for taxation of insurance companies ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To provide for the appointment of an assistant district attorney for the Middle District (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

Resolves
passed.

Providing for the payment of current expenses at the Westborough Insane Hospital at Westborough ;

In favor of the Standish Monument Association ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

In addition to a resolve relating to sewage disposal in the Mystic and Charles River Valleys ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders.

Hours of labor
of conductors
and drivers
upon street
railways.

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, the Bill to regulate the hours of labor of conductors and drivers upon street railways was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Thursday, March 29, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Examining
boards of the
militia.

On motions of Mr. Lyons of North Adams, the report of the committee on Military Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 53 of chapter 411 of the Acts of 1887 relating to examining boards of the militia, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration, until Tuesday, March 27, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Destruction of
seals.

On motion of Mr. Crowell of Dennis, the Bill to provide a bounty for the destruction of seals was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on the rejection of the bill, as recommended by the committee on Finance, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, recommitted to the committee on Fisheries and Game.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to authorizing legal voters, owning real estate in cities and paying a tax thereon, to vote at municipal elections in said cities notwithstanding they vote and have a legal residence elsewhere ; Orders of the Day.

Of the committee on Labor, no legislation necessary, on the eighteenth annual report of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor ;

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to further restricting the sale of alcohol ; and

On an order relative to requiring a bond from applicants to sell intoxicating liquors, to be forfeited under certain conditions ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Banks and Banking, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the laws regulating the investments of savings banks, so that such institutions may invest a portion of their deposits in the first mortgage bonds of certain railroad corporations established under the laws of States other than Massachusetts, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To amend an act in relation to pensioning disabled members of the fire department of the city of Boston, and for other purposes ; and

To provide for the release from and the return to county prisons of prisoners transferred thereto from the Reformatory Prison for Women ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Relating to the settlement of estates of deceased persons ;

To enable the Trustees of the Foxborough Cemetery Corporation to take and hold additional real estate ;

Authorizing the selectmen of the town of Manchester to widen a way in said town, known as Summer Street, by taking a portion of a burial ground ;

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Relative to women detained or received at police stations ; and

To provide a penalty for the violation of the rules or regulations established by boards of fire engineers ; and

Resolves :

Providing for printing additional copies of the report of the Commissioners of the State Topographical Survey for the year 1887 ; and

In favor Owen McDonald ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolves providing for biennial elections of State officers and members of the General Court were further considered, the question being on agreeing to the resolves and articles of amendment. After debate, the House,

At fifteen minutes before five o'clock, adjourned.

THURSDAY, March 22, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report Received.

The twenty-fifth annual report of the Massachusetts Agricultural College was received and was referred to the committee on Agriculture and sent up for concurrence.

Report of the
Massachusetts
Agricultural
College.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Wright of Westford, petition of G. F. Gibson and others for legislation to prohibit the coloring of oleomargarine, butterine and like compounds in imitation of butter. Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

Oleomargarine.

By Mr. Witt of Boston, petition of Elijah Horr and others for the enactment of a law to enable women to vote in all town and municipal elections. Referred to the committee on Woman Suffrage.

Municipal suf-
frage for
women.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Colby of Boston, petition of the county commissioners of Barnstable County, praying for an act relating to juries in the supreme judicial court in said county. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule; and sent up for concurrence, under a suspension of the rule.

Juries in the
supreme judi-
cial court in
Barnstable
County.

By Mr. Brackett of Milton, remonstrance of John T. O'veney and others, barbers, of Canton against legislation to open barber shops on Sunday. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Opening barber
shops on Sun-
day.

Orders.

The following order, offered by Mr. Barrett of Melrose, was adopted, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence:—

Ordered, That the committee on Federal Relations consider the expediency of legislation to expedite the settlement and payment of claims of citizens of this Commonwealth against the Federal Government.

Claims of citi-
zens of this
Commonwealth
against the Fed-
eral Govern-
ment.

The following order, offered by Mr. Grosvenor of Ludlow, was laid over, at the request of Mr. Dresser of Medford : —

Committees travelling outside the Commonwealth.

Ordered, That any permission or authority heretofore or hereafter extended to any joint committee to “visit such places as they may deem necessary in the discharge of their duties” shall not extend or be construed to extend to any visit or travel outside the Commonwealth.

The following order, offered by Mr. Barrett of Melrose, was laid over, at the request of Mr. Collison of Boston: —

Ibid.

Ordered, That the committee on Rules consider the expediency of amending the rules of the House so as to provide that no committee of the House shall travel beyond the limits of the Commonwealth unless special permission of the House has first been obtained.

Morning sessions of the House,—recess and hour of adjournment.

The order relative to morning sessions of the House, recess and hour adjournment, laid over from yesterday, was considered, and, after debate, was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester.

Resolution Presented.

Mr. Grosvenor of Ludlow presented the following resolution : —

Joint committees visiting places outside of the State.

Resolved, That it be the sense of the House of Representatives that any permission or authority heretofore or hereafter given to any joint committee to visit such places as in their judgment may seem necessary, be not construed so as to permit said committee to visit places outside of the Commonwealth

The resolution was read, and, after debate, the yeas and nays were ordered on the question of the adoption of the resolution, at the request of Mr. Grosvenor ; and, the roll being called, it was rejected by a vote of 88 yeas to 117 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Backup, John
Blume, Andreas
Brackett, Albert A.
Breed, Arthur B.
Brigham, Arthur A.
Brooks, A. Olin
Brown, John F.
Call, Charles A.

Messrs. Carpenter, George N.
Close, George
Colby, John F.
Conant, Charles W.
Crowell, Joshua
Cutler, Samuel
Dame, Albert L.
Delano, John W.

Messrs. Dexter, Solomon K.
 Driscoll, John
 Eldridge, Albert R.
 Ferry, William F.
 Finney, Elkanah
 Fisher, Albert L.
 Fisk, Edward P.
 Flynn, Edward J.
 Frost, Henry
 Gleason, Joseph H.
 Griswold, Freeman C.
 Grosvenor, Charles F.
 Hall, Frederick S.
 Hartwell, Benjamin H.
 Haynes, Henry D.
 Henry, Robert
 Hill, Luther
 Hinchcliffe, William J.
 Hitchcock, Calvin
 Hixon, William S.
 Holbrook, John A.
 Holman, Frank E.
 Hooper, George M.
 Hunt, George H.
 Kendall, Horace M.
 Kimball, Henry A.
 Lally, James, Jr.
 Leach, William T.
 Lyons, Henry S.
 McCooey, Thomas
 McDonald, Robert H.
 Mellen, James H.
 Merrill, John F.
 Miller, Albert E.
 Milliken, Daniel L.
 Morin, John M.

Messrs. Nelson, Sidney T.
 Norwood, Caleb J.
 O'Brien, Dennis J.
 Parkman, Henry
 Pear, Isaac S.
 Peirson, Henry M.
 Perkins, Nathaniel R.
 Poore, William H.
 Quincy, Josiah
 Raymond, Samuel M.
 Robinson, Ethan C.
 Robinson, J. Henry
 Rogers, Joseph W.
 Rogers, Samuel N.
 Russell, Irving L.
 Sanger, Chester F.
 Slocum, Winfield S.
 Smith, Sidney P.
 Sohler, William D.
 Spring, Charles E.
 Stimpson, Daniel P.
 Story, Cyrus
 Temple, Albert H.
 Thayer, Rufus A.
 Tyler, Ansel P.
 Vanderhoop, Edwin D.
 Wales, Abijah T.
 Warden, Erskine
 Ware, M. Everett
 Waters, Franklin L.
 White, William L., Jr.
 Wilde, William A.
 Wiley, Albert L.
 Willis, Rufus H.
 Winthrop, John
 Witt, Charles T.

NAYS.

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 Allen, John J.
 Allen, Montessor T.
 Atherton, Horace H.
 Atwood, Harrison H.
 Babbitt, Rollin H.
 Barrett, William E.
 Bartlett, Joseph F.
 Bennett, Charles H.
 Bixby, Charles C.
 Blake, Edwin H.

Messrs. Boardman, Francis
 Bottum, John B.
 Brady, Peter J.
 Brewer, Edward W.
 Burnham, William Howe
 Calnan, Patrick J.
 Carey, William H.
 Carman, William A.
 Carney, Michael
 Carroll, Peter T.
 Cheney, Joseph P., Jr

Messrs. Church, Moses D.	Messrs. Miller, Lyman M.
Clark, David H.	Milne, John C.
Clark, Henry	Monahan, William H.
Clark, Schuyler	Morey, George F.
Collison, Harvey N.	Morton, Harrison E.
Conroy, James	O'Mealey, John W.
Coolidge, George H.	O'Neil, John W.
Dame, Luther	O'Neill, Thomas F.
Davis, Edmund A.	Perry, George R.
Dennis, George	Pierce, Charles Q.
Doherty, John	Pinkerton, Alfred S.
Dolan, Bernard	Plaisted, John W.
Donovan, James	Pratt, Harvey H.
Eames, Harry M.	Provin, William
Fales, Frank A.	Qua, Francis W.
Farren, Thomas G.	Quinn, Andrew
Floyd, David, 2d	Quinn, Philip H.
Flynn, Thomas J.	Raymond, Francis H.
Fottler, Jacob	Read, John
Friend, Henry	Riddell, Henry
Gagan, Edward	Risteen, John C.
Garity, Michael	Rogerson, William B.
Gile, William A.	Rounsevell, Arthur G.
Gleason, Willard F.	Rugg, Charles P.
Gordon, William, Jr.	Russell, Alvin D.
Goss, Charles	Sanford, Alpheus
Gracey, Samuel L.	Seavey, Charles W.
Gray, Davis P.	Shepard, Charles F.
Greenwood, Morrill A.	Simonds, S. Dwight
Gunn, Daniel	Slocum, George W.
Hastings, William H.	Southwick, Benjamin F.
Hatch, Franklin W.	Stowe, Elijah B.
Hathaway, James A.	Sullivan, Michael F.
Hayes, Elihu B.	Sullivan, Thomas F.
Hayes, John E.	Taft, Robert L.
Jaques, Alden P.	Thompson, A. Cranston
Keane, Jeremiah J.	Turner, Henry A.
Kennedy, Patrick J.	Upham, Samuel O.
Kimball, John W.	Wadlin, Horace G.
Lovell, Clarence P.	Walworth, Arthur C.
Lyman, Payson W.	Wharton, William F.
Manning, Albert S.	Whitcher, James E.
Manning, David, Jr.	Wilkinson, John W.
Martin, James P.	Winchester, Reuben
McCall, Samuel W.	Woods, Frank F.
McDonough, John H.	Wright, Arthur
McEnaney, Thomas O.	Wyman, Ferdinand A.
McEttrick, Michael J.	

On this question, Messrs. Towne of Lynn and Cronin of Worcester, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired, respectively, with Messrs. D. J. Quinn of Boston and Leary of Boston.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

Of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 221 of the Acts of the year 1874, commonly called the "Ten-Hour Law," by striking out the word "ten" wherever it occurs, and inserting in its place the word "eight"; also, by striking out the word "sixty" in the last line of the first section and inserting in its stead the words "forty-eight" (Mr. Mellen of the House dissenting); and

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 9 of chapter 101 of the Public Statutes by making all persons therein named, principals, as in section 7 of said chapter;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills :

Relating to the salaries of the clerks of courts, and the payment of fees in the superior court and the supreme judicial court (reported on an order); and

To provide for the disposition of forfeited property found and seized in common gaming-houses (being a new draft of the House Bill to provide for the disposition of forfeited property which has been used in gaming);

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Bills :

To establish the salary of the district attorney for the Southeastern District and to provide for the appointment of a temporary assistant to the district attorney (reported on an order); and

Providing for printing additional copies of the annual report of the trustees of the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded (reported on an order); and a

Resolve in favor of Rosanna Gaffney (reported on a petition);

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Ten-hour law.

Common nuisances.

Salaries of the clerks of courts, — payment of fees in the superior and supreme judicial courts. Disposition of forfeited property used in gaming.

Salary of the district attorney for the Southeastern district.

Report of the trustees of the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-minded.

Rosanna Gaffney.

Bills :

Disposition of
liquor license
fees.

In relation to the disposition of liquor license fees (reported on an order) ; and

Minimum fees
for liquor
licenses.

Prescribing the minimum fees for liquor licenses (reported on an order) ;

Severally came down from the Senate with the endorsement : " Recommended to the committee on the Liquor Law, with instructions to report thereon within one week from date." The House concurred in the recommitment in each case and the reports were severally returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Leicester water
supply.

The House Bill to supply the centre village of Leicester with water, passed to be engrossed by the House, came down from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence with an amendment, in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Wilde of Malden, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Employment of
women and
minors in manu-
facturing and
mechanical es-
tablishments.

A petition of Hugh O'Loughlin and fifty-four others to reduce the hours of labor to fifty-six and one-half weekly for women and children employed in manufacturing and mechanical establishments was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Labor.

Reports of Committees.

Opinion of the
Supreme
Judicial Court
on the law con-
cerning the sale
of intoxicating
liquors on elec-
tion days.

By Mr. Collison of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, who were instructed to consider the expediency of requesting the Supreme Judicial Court to give an opinion on the following important question of law :— Do the provisions of Chapter 216 of the Acts of the year 1885, being " An Act prohibiting the sale or delivery of intoxicating liquors on election days," apply to special elections held in the wards, or the aldermanic, senatorial, councillor and congressional districts in the cities of this Commonwealth?— inexpedient to request said opinion, for the following reason, — that, while the Legislature has the right, under chapter 3, article 2, of the Constitution of Massachusetts, to obtain the advice of the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court upon any important question of law which the body making the inquiry has occasion to consider in the exercise of the powers intrusted to it, it has not that right upon a question which may arise in the course of judicial administration, and which cannot be affected by legislative action.

By Mr. Cutler of Somerville from the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of E. W. Law for increase of salary as clerk of the third district court of Eastern Middlesex.

Salary of clerk of the Third District Court of Eastern Middlesex.

By Mr. Grosvenor of Ludlow, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Sumner D. York, clerk of the police court of Gloucester, for an increase of salary.

Salary of clerk of the police court of Gloucester.

By Mr. Blake of Bedford, from the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the law concerning taxation, so as to exempt from taxes in this State all property, or the evidences of property and franchises, situated outside of this State, but owned by citizens of, or residents in, this Commonwealth.

Taxation of property situated outside of the State, but owned by citizens of this State.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Atherton of Saugus, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on a petition, a Bill to change the name of the Manufacturers' Loan and Trust Company, and to grant it additional powers.

Manufacturers' Loan and Trust Company.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on the Annual Report of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks, in part, a Bill to amend chapter 196 of the Acts of the year 1887, relating to investments of savings banks.

Investments of savings banks.

By Mr. McDonald of Great Barrington, from the committee on Election Laws, on three orders dated February 1, 1888, a Bill extending the time in which persons may apply for assessment of taxes, and providing for evening sessions of the assessors.

Assessors, — assessment of taxes.

By Mr. Davis of Somerset, from the committee on Insurance, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the American Landlords' Liability Insurance Company.

American Landlords' Liability Insurance Company.

By Mr. Gracey of Salem, from the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, on a petition, a Bill to change the name of the East Stoughton Baptist Church.

East Stoughton Baptist Church.

By Mr. Lyman of Belchertown, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the African Methodist Episcopal Church in Springfield.

African M. E. Church in Springfield.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. O'Mealey of Boston, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on a petition, a Resolve providing for a new carriage house, coal shed, and certain other improvements at the Westborough Insane

Westborough Insane Hospital.

Hospital. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Free education
of deaf-mutes.

By Mr. McEttrick of Boston, from the committee on Education, on an order, and a Bill (introduced on leave) to amend an act to provide for the free education of deaf-mutes or deaf children, that the bill ought to pass, with amendments. Referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Westborough
Insane Hospital.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making an appropriation for current expenses at the Westborough Insane Hospital. Read and ordered to a second reading. On motion of Mr. Lovell, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed and sent at once to the Senate for concurrence, Rule 15 having also been suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

In relation to the exemption of the property of certain literary and other associations from taxation (which originated in the House) ; and

To establish public weighers of salt-water fish landed from vessels (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

Resolves
passed.

In favor of Louis A. Kent ; and

In favor of Stephen F. Sullivan ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders.

Employment of
children.

On motion of Mr. Quincy of Quincy, the Bill in relation to the employment of children was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, March 28, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

On motion of Mr. Symonds of Salem, the Bill in relation to the tenure of office of police in the various cities of the Commonwealth was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the amendments, and pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, laid on the table.

Tenure of office
of police
officers.

On motions of Mr. Pratt of Abington, the report of the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of Horace Reed and others that part of the town of Hanson may be annexed to the town of Whitman, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Annexation of
part of Hanson
to Whitman.

On motions of Mr. Dresser of Medford, the report of the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, on petitions of C. M. Barrett and others that a part of the town of Medford be set off and incorporated as the town of Brooks, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, April 3, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Division of
Medford.

On motion of the same gentleman, the Bill to incorporate the town of Brooks was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on the rejection of the bill, as recommended by the committee on Towns, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, April 3, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Town of
Brooks.

On motion of Mr. Manning of Worcester, the Bill to define what shall be deemed to be intoxicating liquor within the meaning of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, March 27, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Definition of
"intoxicating
liquors."

On motion of Mr. Bottum of Northampton, the Bill to amend an act to limit and regulate the sale of intoxicating liquors by druggists and apothecaries was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It

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cating liquors
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was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Thursday, March 29, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Pollution of ponds and streams from which ice is cut.

On motion of Mr. Miller of Needham, the Resolve providing for an investigation of the pollution of ponds and streams from which ice is cut for domestic use was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on the rejection of the resolve, as recommended by the committee on Finance, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, laid on the table.

Employment of male employees by manufacturing, mechanical and mercantile firms and railroad corporations.

On motions of Mr. Lyons of North Adams, the report of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to regulating the employing of male employees by manufacturing, mechanical and mercantile firms and railroad corporations where said employees are required to labor more than ten hours per day, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

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Bills :

Relating to estates tail ;

Relative to the right of the public to examine the valuation books of the assessors of cities and towns ;

In relation to returns and statistics of fires ;

To provide a further water supply for the city of Malden ;

To amend an act to establish the office of Auditor in Towns ;

Relating to the election of members of the common council from wards twenty-two and twenty-five in the city of Boston ; and

Relative to the stock of associations formed for charitable, educational and other purposes ; and the

Resolve in favor of William and Mary Reardon ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To permit the employment of prisoners in the State Prison in printing (amended, as recommended by the

Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, by the substitution of a bill with the title "Bill to amend section twenty-seven of chapter two hundred and twenty-one of the Public Statutes relating to the employment of convicts");

In relation to voting by proxy in corporations;

Relating to the publication of the annual report of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks; and

To provide for the release from and the return to county prisons of prisoners transferred thereto from the Reformatory Prison for Women;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The House concurred in the Senate amendments to the House Resolve to confirm the acts of Henry Walker as a justice of the peace and of the quorum, and the resolve was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The Resolves providing for biennial elections of State officers and members of the General Court were further considered, the question being on agreeing to the resolves and articles of amendment. On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester the previous question was ordered.

On the question of agreeing to the resolve and article of amendment providing for biennial elections of State officers, the yeas and nays were taken, and, the roll being called, the article of amendment was not agreed to, two-thirds of the members present and voting thereon not having voted therefor. The vote was 126 yeas to 72 nays, as follows:—

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Atwood, Harrison H.

Babbitt, Rollin H.

Backup, John

Barrett, William E.

Bartlett, Joseph F.

Bennett, Charles H.

Bixby, Charles C.

Blake, Edwin H.

Blume, Andreas

Bottum, John B.

Brackett, Albert A.

Brewer, Edward W.

Messrs. Brigham, Arthur A.

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Brown, John F.

Burnham, William Howe

Call, Charles A.

Carpenter, George N.

Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.

Clark, David H.

Clark, Henry

Close, George

Colby, John F.

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Coolidge, George H.

Crowell, Joshua

Cutler, Samuel

Dame, Luther

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Allen, Montessor T.

Armstrong, William O.

Atherton, Horace H.

Atwood, Harrison H.

Babbitt, Rollin H.

Backup, John

Barrett, William E.

Bartlett, Joseph F.

Bennett, Charles H.

Bixby, Charles C.

Blake, Edwin H.

Blume, Andreas

Bottum, John B.

Brackett, Albert A.

Brewer, Edward W.

Messrs. Brigham, Arthur A.

Brooks, A. Olin

Brown, John F.

Burnham, William Howe

Call, Charles A.

Carpenter, George N.

Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.

Clark, David H.

Clark, Henry

Close, George

Colby, John F.

Conant, Charles W.

Coolidge, George H.

Crowell, Joshua

Cutler, Samuel

Dame, Luther

Messrs. Davis, Edmund A.
 Delano, John W.
 Dexter, Solomon K.
 Eldridge, Albert R.
 Fales, Frank A.
 Ferry, William F.
 Fisk, Edward P.
 Floyd, David, 2d
 Fottler, Jacob
 Friend, Henry
 Frost, Henry
 Gleason, Joseph H.
 Gleason, Willard F.
 Gordon, William, Jr.
 Goss, Charles
 Gracey, Samuel L.
 Gray, Davis P.
 Greenwood, Morrill A.
 Gunn, Daniel
 Hall, Frederick S.
 Hartwell, Benjamin H.
 Haskell, Henry C.
 Hatch, Franklin W.
 Hathaway, James A.
 Haynes, Henry D.
 Henry, Robert
 Hinchcliffe, William J.
 Hitchcock, Calvin
 Holman, Frank E.
 Hooper, George M.
 Hunt, George H.
 Jaques, Alden P.
 Kimball, Henry A.
 Kimball, John W.
 Leach, William T.
 Lovell, Clarence P.
 Lyman, Payson W.
 Manning, Albert S.
 Martin, James P.
 McCall, Samuel W.
 Merrill, John F.
 Miller, Albert E.
 Miller, Lyman M.
 Milliken, Daniel L.
 Milne, John C.
 Morey, George F.
 Morin, John M.

Messrs. Morton, Harrison E.
 Nelson, Sidney T.
 Norwood, Caleb J.
 Parkman, Henry
 Pear, Isaac S.
 Peirson, Henry M.
 Perkins, Nathaniel R.
 Perry, George R.
 Pierce, Charles Q.
 Pinkerton, Alfred S.
 Qua, Francis W.
 Quincy, Josiah
 Raymond, Francis H.
 Read, John
 Riddell, Henry
 Risteen, John C.
 Robinson, J. Henry
 Rogers, Joseph W.
 Rogerson, William B.
 Russell, Irving L.
 Sanger, Chester F.
 Seavey, Charles W.
 Shepard, Charles F.
 Simonds, S. Dwight
 Slocum, Winfield S.
 Smith, Sidney P.
 Southwick, Benjamin F.
 Spring, Charles E.
 Story, Cyrus
 Stowe, Elijah B.
 Temple, Albert H.
 Thayer, Rufus A.
 Thompson, A. Cranston
 Turner, Henry A.
 Tyler, Ansel P.
 Wales, Abijah T.
 Warden, Erskine
 Waters, Franklin L.
 Wharton, William F.
 Witcher, James E.
 White, William L., Jr.
 Wilde, William A.
 Wiley, Albert L.
 Willis, Rufus H.
 Witt, Charles T.
 Woods, Frank F.
 Wright, Arthur.

NAYS.

Messrs. Boardman, Francis
 Brady, Peter J.
 Breed, Arthur B.
 Calnan, Patrick J.
 Carey, William H.
 Carman, William A.
 Carney, Michael
 Carroll, Peter T.
 Church, Moses D.
 Clark, Schuyler
 Collison, Harvey N.
 Conroy, James
 Conwell, David
 Cronin, James M.
 Dame, Albert L.
 Doherty, John
 Dolan, Bernard
 Driscoll, John
 Dunlea, James J.
 Eames, Harry M.
 Farren, Thomas G.
 Finney, Elkanah
 Flynn, Edward J.
 Flynn, Thomas J.
 Gagan, Edward
 Garity, Michael
 Gile, William A.
 Hayes, John E.
 Hill, Luther
 Hixon, William S.
 Holbrook, John A.
 Keane, Jeremiah J.
 Kendall, Horace M.
 Kennedy, Patrick J.
 Knox, Charles H.
 Lally, James, Jr.

Messrs. Manning, David, Jr.
 McCooley, Thomas
 McDonald, Robert H.
 McDonough, John H.
 McEnaney, Thomas O.
 McEttrick, Michael J.
 Mellen, James H.
 Monahan, William H.
 O'Brien, Dennis J.
 O'Meally, John W.
 O'Neil, John W.
 O'Neill, Thomas F.
 Plaisted, John W.
 Poore, William H.
 Pratt, Harvey H.
 Provin, William
 Quinn, Andrew
 Quinn, Philip H.
 Raymond, Samuel M.
 Richards, James H.
 Robinson, Ethan C.
 Rogers, Samuel N.
 Rounsevell, Arthur G.
 Russell, Alvin D.
 Slocum, George W.
 Stimpson, Daniel P.
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 Sullivan, Thomas F.
 Symonds, Charles H.
 Taft, Robert L.
 Thompson, Albert G.
 Upham, Samuel O.
 Vanderhoop, Edwin D.
 Wilkinson, John W.
 Winchester, Reuben
 Winthrop, John.

Yeas, 126 ; Nays, 72.

On this question, Messrs. Sanford of Boston, Preble of Boston, Rugg of New Bedford, Kearn of North Adams, Wardwell of Haverhill, Fisher of Grafton, Sohler of Beverly, Dewey of Williamsburg, Grosvenor of Ludlow, Griswold of Greenfield, Butler of Georgetown, Walworth of Newton and Wadlin of Reading, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were

paired, respectively, with Messrs. Dresser of Medford, Wyman of Hyde Park, Hagerty of Boston, Lyons of North Adams, Hayes of Lynn, Berry of Salem, E. J. Donovan of Boston, James Donovan of Boston, Towne of Lynn, Haggerty of Southbridge, Hastings of Framingham, Leary of Boston and Ware of Boston.

On the question of agreeing to the resolve and article of amendment relative to biennial elections of members of the General Court, the yeas and nays were taken, and, the roll being called, the article of amendment was not agreed to, two-thirds of the members present and voting thereon not having voted therefor. The vote was 105 yeas to 78 nays, as follows :—

YEAS.

Messrs.		Messrs.	
Allen, John J.		Friend, Henry	
Allen, Montessor T.		Frost, Henry	
Armstrong, William O.		Gleason, Joseph H.	
Atherton, Horace H.		Gleason, Willard F.	
Atwood, Harrison H.		Goss, Charles	
Barrett, William E.		Gracey, Samuel L.	
Bartlett, Joseph F.		Gray, Davis P.	
Bennett, Charles H.		Greenwood, Morrill A.	
Blume, Andreas		Gunn, Daniel	
Bottum, John B.		Hall, Frederick S.	
Brackett, Albert A.		Hartwell, Benjamin H.	
Brewer, Edward W.		Haskell, Henry C.	
Brigham, Arthur A.		Hatch, Franklin W.	
Brown, John F.		Hathaway, James A.	
Burnham, William Howe		Haynes, Henry D.	
Call, Charles A.		Henry, Robert	
Carpenter, George N.		Holman, Frank E.	
Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.		Hunt, George H.	
Clark, David H.		Jaques, Alden P.	
Clark, Henry		Kimball, Henry A.	
Close, George		Kimball, John W.	
Colby, John F.		Lovell, Clarence P.	
Conant, Charles W.		Lyman, Payson W.	
Coolidge, George H.		Manning, Albert S.	
Cutler, Samuel		Martin, James P.	
Dame, Luther		McCall, Samuel W.	
Davis, Edmund A.		Merrill, John F.	
Dexter, Solomon K.		Miller, Albert E.	
Fales, Frank A.		Miller, Lyman M.	
Ferry, William F.		Milliken, Daniel L.	
Fisk, Edward P.		Milne, John C.	
Fottler, Jacob		Morey, George F.	

Messrs. Morton, Harrison E.
 Parkman, Henry
 Pear, Isaac S.
 Peirson, Henry M.
 Perkins, Nathaniel R.
 Perry, George R.
 Pierce, Charles Q.
 Pinkerton, Alfred S.
 Qua, Francis W.
 Quincy, Josiah
 Raymond, Francis H.
 Read, John
 Risteen, John C.
 Robinson, J. Henry
 Rogers, Joseph W.
 Russell, Irving L.
 Sanger, Chester F.
 Seavey, Charles W.
 Shepard, Charles F.
 Simonds, S. Dwight
 Slocum, George W.

Messrs. Slocum, Winfield S.
 Smith, Sidney P.
 Southwick, Benjamin F.
 Story, Cyrus
 Stowe, Elijah B.
 Temple, Albert H.
 Thayer, Rufus A.
 Thompson, A. Cranston
 Wales, Abijah T.
 Warden, Erskine
 Waters, Franklin L.
 Wharton, William F.
 Whitchee, James E.
 White, William L., Jr.
 Wilde, William A.
 Wiley, Albert L.
 Willis, Rufus H.
 Witt, Charles T.
 Woods, Frank F.
 Wright, Arthur.

NATS.

Messrs. Babbitt, Rollin H.
 Blake, Edwin H.
 Boardman, Francis
 Brady, Peter J.
 Breed, Arthur B.
 Brooks, A. Olin
 Calnan, Patrick J.
 Carey, William H.
 Carman, William A.
 Carney, Michael
 Carroll, Peter T.
 Church, Moses D.
 Clark, Schuyler
 Collison, Harvey N.
 Conroy, James
 Conwell, David
 Cronin, James M.
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 Doherty, John
 Dolan, Bernard
 Donovan, James
 Driscoll, John
 Dunlea, James J.
 Eames, Harry M.
 Farren, Thomas G.

Messrs. Finney, Elkanah
 Floyd, David, 2d
 Flynn, Edward J.
 Flynn, Thomas J.
 Gagan, Edward
 Garity, Michael
 Gile, William A.
 Hayes, John E.
 Hill, Luther
 Hinchcliffe, William J.
 Hixon, William S.
 Holbrook, John A.
 Keane, Jeremiah J.
 Kendall, Horace M.
 Kennedy, Patrick J.
 Lally, James, Jr.
 Leach, William T.,
 Manning, David, Jr.
 McCooey, Thomas
 McDonald, Robert H.
 McDonough, John H.
 McEnaney, Thomas O.
 McEttrick, Michael J.
 Mellen, James H.
 Monahan, William H.

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Messrs. Morin, John M.	Messrs. Robinson, Ethan C.
Nelson, Sidney T.	Rogerson, Wm. B.
Norwood, Caleb J.	Rounsevell, Arthur G.
O'Brien, Dennis J.	Russell, Alvin D.
O'Mealey, John W.	Stimpson, Daniel P.
O'Neil, John W.	Sullivan, Michael F.
O'Neill, Thomas F.	Sullivan, Thomas F.
Poore, William H.	Symonds, Charles H.
Pratt, Harvey H.	Taft, Robert L.
Provin, William	Thompson, Albert G.
Quinn, Andrew	Turner, Henry A.
Quinn, Philip H.	Vanderhoop, Edwin D.
Raymond, Samuel M.	Wilkinson, John W.
Richards, James H.	Winchester, Reuben.

Yeas, 105 ; Nays, 78.

On this question, Messrs. Sanford of Boston, Backup of Boston, Preble of Boston, Rugg of New Bedford, Kearn of North Adams, Grosvenor of Ludlow, Sohier of Beverly, Gordon of New Bedford, Wardwell of Haverhill, Hooper of Bridgewater, Eldridge of Bourne, Griswold of Greenfield, Riddell of Nantucket, Butler of Georgetown, Wadlin of Reading and Walworth of Newton, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired, respectively, with Messrs. Dresser of Medford, Plaisted of Worcester, Wyman of Hyde Park, Hagerty of Boston, Lyons of North Adams, Towne of Lynn, E. J. Donovan of Boston, Upham of Waltham, Hayes of Lynn, Rogers of Millbury, Winthrop of Stockbridge, Haggerty of Southbridge, D. J. Quinn of Boston, Hastings of Framingham, Ware of Boston and Leary of Boston.

Notice of the action of the House was sent to the Senate.

At twenty-two minutes past four o'clock, adjourned.

FRIDAY, March 23, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Russell of Maynard, petition of A. Littlefield Oleomargarine. and others; and by Mr. Hill of Spencer, petition of T. J. Comins and others, — severally, for legislation to prevent the coloring of oleomargarine, butterine and like compounds in imitation of butter.

Severally referred to the committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Gile of Worcester, petitions of Cornelius F. Water gas. Doherty and 639 others, of Frederick O. Prince and 81 others, of Francis Sargent and 639 others, of W. H. Chipman & Co and 640 others, of Chickering & Sons and 640 others, of Moses A. Swift and 636 others, of Joseph Sanders and 273 others, and of W. P. B. Brooks & Co. and 639 others; by Mr. Pratt of Abington, petitions of O. F. Devine and 524 others, and of Lawrence J. Logan and 639 others; and by Mr. Barrett of Melrose, petitions of Phineas Pierce and 639 others, of E. V. R. Thayer and 639 others, and of C. B. Fessenden and 639 others, — severally, for amendment to the Public Statutes permitting manufacture of water gas for illuminating purposes.

Severally referred to the committee on Manufactures.

By Mr. Hitchcock of Ware, petitions of Otis Hose Massachusetts State Firemen's Association. Company No. 1 and of Henry M. Clark and others, — severally, in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others of Boston for the passage of an act appropriating \$10,000 annually to the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

Severally referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. O'Neill of Sudbury, petition of the selectmen Town of Hudson. of Hudson for a law to confirm and ratify the proceedings of a town meeting held March 5, 1888. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Opening of
barber shops on
the Lord's day.

By Mr. Lyons of North Adams, remonstrance of C. D. Church and others against any change of the Sunday law as applied to barber shops. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Orders.

The following order, offered by Mr. Lyman of Belcher-town, was adopted, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence:—

Reissue of the
"Public Stat-
utes of Massa-
chusetts relating
to public
instruction, with
annotations and
explanations."

Ordered, That the committee on Printing consider the expediency of providing for the reissue under the direction of the Board of Education of the pamphlet entitled "The Public Statutes of Massachusetts relating to Public Instruction, with Annotations and Explanations," embodying therein all legislation enacted subsequent to the former issue, including such laws as may be enacted at this session of the General Court.

Joint com-
mittees visiting
places outside
of the Common-
wealth.

The order offered by Mr. Grosvenor of Ludlow, laid over from yesterday, relative to joint committees travelling outside of the Commonwealth, was, on motion of the same gentleman, laid on the table.

The order offered by Mr. Barrett of Melrose, laid over from yesterday, relative to joint committees travelling beyond the limits of the Commonwealth, was amended, on motion of Mr. Barrett, so as to read as follows, and, as amended, was adopted and sent up for concurrence:—

Ibid.

Ordered, That the joint committee on Rules consider the expediency of amending the rules so as to provide that no committee shall travel beyond the limits of the Commonwealth unless special permission has first been obtained.

Taken from the Table.

Examinations of
teachers of com-
mon schools.

On motion of Mr. Temple of Colrain, the report of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the examination of teachers of common schools and the certificates thereof, was taken from the table and was placed in the orders of the day, and postponed for further consideration until Monday, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Papers from the Senate.

Waltham
sewers.

A Bill to enable the city of Waltham, for the purpose of providing surface drainage, to incur indebtedness

beyond the limit fixed by law (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

A remonstrance of Charles French and others against the petition of Charles A. Russell and others that the town of Rockport be included within the jurisdiction of the police court of the city of Gloucester was referred, in concurrence, to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Town of Rockport, — jurisdiction of the police court of Gloucester.

Petitions of Enoch J. Clark and others of Charlestown, and Engine Company No. 27 of Boston, — severally, in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others for an annual appropriation for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association, to aid firemen injured while in discharge of their duties, were severally referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Pratt of Abington, from the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John M. Berry for legislation enabling the people to get proportional representation in the Legislature.

Proportional representation in the Legislature.

By Mr. Stowe of Bellingham, from the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the teaching of civil government in certain schools.

Teaching of civil government in certain schools.

By Mr. Sanford of Boston, from the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to prohibiting any person connected in any official capacity with any court from serving on a regular standing committee of any political party.

Court officials serving as members of political committees.

By Mr. Sohier of Beverly, from the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of J. M. W. Hall and others for an increase of the salary of the Justice of the Third District Court of Eastern Middlesex.

Salary of the Justice of the Third District Court of Eastern Middlesex.

By Mr. Thayer of Randolph, from the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the tax on deposits in savings banks.

Tax on deposits in savings banks.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

By Mr. Smith of Athol, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill for the protection of great ponds.

Protection of great ponds.

James A.
L'Amoureux.

By Mr. Story of Gloucester, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, on a petition, a Bill to amend an act to authorize James A. L'Amoureux to build and maintain a wing dam on the Connecticut River in the town of South Hadley.

Woman's
American
Baptist Home
Mission Society.

By Mr. Lyman of Belchertown, from the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, on a petition, a Bill to enlarge the purposes of the Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society.

Salary of the
First District
Court of
Northern
Middlesex.

By Mr. Sohier of Beverly, from the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the First District Court of Northern Middlesex.

New State
House.

By Mr. Hartwell of Ayer, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill to provide for the better accommodation of the State Government in the city of Boston, ought to pass in a new draft with the same title.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Report of the
trustees of the
Massachusetts
School for the
Feeble-Minded.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Bill providing for printing additional copies of the annual report of the trustees of the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded, ought to pass.

Rosanna
Gaffney.

By Mr. Dexter of Lowell, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Resolve in favor of Rosanna Gaffney ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

Fire district in
the town of
Stockbridge.

By Mr. Colby of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill permitting the establishment of a fire district in the town of Stockbridge ought to pass. On motion of Mr. Colby, the rules were suspended and the bill was read a second and a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, Rule 15 having also been suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Christian names
of persons.

By Mr. Flynn of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (introduced on leave) concerning the Christian names of persons ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

Immigration
into this Com-
monwealth of
convicts, idiotic
and paupers of
other lands.

By Mr. Risteen of Amesbury, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the message of the Governor transmitting a report of the State Board of

Lunacy and Charity respecting the immigration into this Commonwealth of criminals from foreign countries, a Resolution relative to immigration into this Commonwealth of convicts, insane, idiotic and paupers of other lands. Read, and on motion of Mr. Warden of Waltham, the rule was suspended and the resolution was referred to the committee on Federal Relations, and sent up for concurrence.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To incorporate the Monson Water Company ;

Bills enacted.

Making an appropriation for current expenses at the Westborough Insane Hospital ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

Concerning the waters of Spy Pond, in the town of Arlington, and Little Pond and Wellington Brook, in the town of Belmont ; and

Relating to the preservation of the purity of water supplies ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motions of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, the report of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John M. Berry for State loans to the people for building purposes, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, April 4, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

State loans to the people for building purposes.

On motion of the same gentleman, the Bill (taken from the files of last year) to promote the establishment of benevolent associations was discharged from the orders of the day under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Labor, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, April 4, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Benevolent building associations.

On motion of Mr. Haynes of Sturbridge, the Bill to limit the number of licenses to sell intoxicating liquors, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a sus-

Limit of number of licenses to sell intoxicating liquors.

pension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, April 3, to be placed third in the orders of the day for that day.

Settlement of
claims for
pensions.

On motion of Mr. Barrett of Melrose, the Bill to expedite the settlement of claims for pensions was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on the rejection of the bill, as recommended by the committee on Finance, it was, on motion of the same gentleman, recommitted to the committee on Federal Relations.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
Day.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to request the opinion of the Supreme Judicial Court on the following important question of law, Do the provisions of chapter 216 of the Acts of the year 1885, being "An Act prohibiting the sale or delivery of intoxicating liquors on election days," apply to special elections held in wards, or the aldermanic, senatorial, councillor and congressional districts in the cities of this Commonwealth? was accepted.

The report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of E. W. Law for increase of salary as clerk of the Third District Court of Eastern Middlesex, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to amending section 1 of chapter 263 of the Acts of the year 1887, "An act to make the first day of September, known as Labor's Holiday, a legal Holiday," so as to provide a penalty for its violation ; and

On an order relative to prohibiting persons from being employed in a factory, workshop or mercantile establishments upon legal holidays ; and

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 9 of chapter 101 of the Public Statutes by making all persons therein named, principals, as in section 7 of said chapter ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To incorporate the Washington Loan Association ;

Relating to vaccination ;

To prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquor on Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day ;

To provide extra clerical assistance for the clerk of the Central District Court of Worcester ;

Extending the time in which persons may apply for assessment of taxes, and providing for evening sessions of the assessors ;

To change the name of the Manufacturers' Loan and Trust Company, and to grant it additional powers ;

To amend chapter 196 of the Acts of the year 1887, relating to investments of savings banks ;

To incorporate the American Landlords' Liability Insurance Company ;

To change the name of the East Stoughton Baptist Church ; and

To incorporate the African Methodist Episcopal Church in Springfield ; and the

Resolve providing for the printing and distribution of the new index to the Public Statutes (amended on motion of Mr. Preble of Boston) ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To incorporate the First Unitarian Society in Revere, and to confirm its title to certain real estate ;

To establish the second district court of Essex (amended as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

Relating to estates tail ; and

To provide a further water supply for the city of Malden ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

Regulating the sale and purchase of poisons ;

To amend an act in relation to pensioning disabled members of the fire department of the city of Boston, and for other purposes ; and

Relating to the election of members of the common council from wards twenty-two and twenty-five in the city of Boston ; and the

Resolve in favor of William and Mary Reardon ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to further amend section 4 of chapter 74 of the Public Statutes in relation to the employment of minors and women was read a second time and considered. An amendment moved by Mr. Quincy of Quincy was adopted. Pending a further amendment moved by Mr. Quincy and amendments moved by Mr. Barrett of Melrose and Mr. Wiley of Hardwick, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, recommitted to the committee on Labor.

The Bill to prohibit the imposition of fines or deductions of wages of employees engaged at weaving was, on motion of Mr. McCooey of Blackstone, postponed for further consideration until Monday, pending the question of order raised by Mr. Fisk of Boston, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading.

The Bill prohibiting railroad corporations to require women and children to ride in smoking-cars was read a third time, amended, as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, by the substitution of a bill with the same title, and, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

The Bill authorizing the county commissioners of Middlesex County to erect an addition to the registry of deeds building in Cambridge was read a second time and considered. Mr. Sanger of Cambridge moved an amendment, and Mr. Whitchee of Stoneham moved to substitute a bill with the same title, which was read, and pending the amendments and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Fisk of Boston, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday next, to be placed third in the orders of the day for that day.

At thirteen minutes before five o'clock, adjourned.

MONDAY, March 26, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Norwood of Hamilton, petition of Willard F. Oleomargarine.
Kinsman and others for legislation to prohibit the coloring of oleomargarine, butterine and like compounds in imitation of butter. Referred to the committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Risteen of Amesbury, petition of W. W. Water gas.
Smart and others for the Amesbury and Salisbury Gas Company to have the right to manufacture water gas under the Lowe Granger patents without penalty. Referred to the committee on Manufactures.

By Mr. Brackett of Milton, remonstrance of Richard Water supply
MacKay and others against the granting of a charter to any water company to supply the town of Milton with water. Referred to the committee on Water Supply.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to extending the provisions of chapter 159, section 70, of the Public Statutes, to all the counties of the Commonwealth, the same relating to fees for summoning witnesses ; and Fees for summoning witnesses.

On an order relative to amending section 26 of chapter 154 of the Public Statutes, relative to the fees of special justices of district and police courts ; and Fees of special justices of district and police courts.

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Elmer H. Capen and others that the Governor be authorized to appoint a Solicitor-General for the Commonwealth, as provided for in the Constitution, and one or more Assistant Solicitors-General for each judicial district (and sundry petitions in aid thereof) ; Solicitor-general and assistant solicitors-general.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Williamstown.

The report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of Benjamin F. Mills and others relative to the settlement of certain claims existing between the town of Williamstown and the Commonwealth (taken from the House files of last year), accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Smith of Athol.

W. H. Wood and Charles H. Sweeney, officers in the Massachusetts Reformatory.

A report of the committee on Public Service, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the petitions of W. H. Wood and Charles H. Sweeney, officers in the Massachusetts Reformatory, severally for an increase of salary, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Prisons, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence.

Scallops.

A Bill relating to the taking of scallops in the head waters of Buzzard's Bay (being a new draft of a House bill with the same title) passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Steam couplers and freight-train brakes.

Resolutions relating to freight-car and steam couplers and to freight-train brakes (reported on a portion of the Railroad Commissioners' report), adopted by the Senate, were read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the adoption of the resolutions.

Public cemeteries in the town of Winchester.

The House Bill relating to public cemeteries in the town of Winchester, passed to be engrossed by the House, came down from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendments.

Juries in the Supreme Judicial Court of Barnstable County.

The House petition of the county commissioners of Barnstable County praying for an act relating to juries in the supreme judicial courts in said county, came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Water gas.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence : —

Petitions of the Walworth Manufacturing Company and 384 others, Ernest C. Marshall and 639 others, Asa P. Potter and 631 others, Charles Whittier and 329 others, Owen Bearse and 331 others, Tilly Haynes and 640 others, W. A. Jameson and 38 others, Ticknor & Company and 639 others, George B. Appleton and 639 others,

John F. Cummings and 531 others, Alexander A. Peterson and 531 others, Charles W. Babb and 639 others, Irving A. Evans and 639 others, Stillman B. Allen and 639 others, and Lucius Slade and 610 others, — severally, that the law be amended so as to permit the manufacture, without penalty, of water gas for illuminating purposes.

Severally to the committee on Manufactures.

Petition of Engine Company No. 4 of Cambridge in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others for an annual appropriation for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association, to aid firemen injured while in discharge of their duties. To the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Massachusetts
State Firemen's
Association.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Hall of Taunton, the order relative to morning sessions, recess and hour of adjournment, was taken from the table. On further motion of the same gentleman, the order was amended by striking out the words "March 27," and inserting in place thereof the words "April 3," and, as amended, was adopted.

Morning
sessions, recess
and hour of
adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Cronin of Worcester, the motion to suspend the 12th Joint Rule on the following order was taken from the table, and after debate was rejected by a vote of 56 to 50, and the order was referred to the next General Court:—

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of legislation so as to protect the travelling public from the cupidity or bungling management of railroad corporations at the time of a great storm, by requiring information to be posted in proper places of derailment, snow blockades, or other accidents, soon after they occur; and consider further if anything can be done to prevent suffering by mishaps of the above-named nature.

Railroad corpo-
rations to post
information
concerning
snow blockades
or other
accidents.

Mr. McDonough of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House refused to suspend the 12th Joint Rule. The motion was adopted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. McDonough, and the recurring question on suspending the 12th Joint Rule was carried.

Mr. Mellen of Worcester moved to strike out the words "travelling public from the cupidity or bungling management of railroad corporations," and insert in the

place thereof the words "public travelling on steam rail-roads."

Mr. Hunt of Rockland moved to strike out the words "at the time of a great storm."

Both amendments prevailed, and the order as amended was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports of Committees.

Intoxicating
liquors — ad-
joining owners.

By Mr. McEttrick of Boston, from the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 7 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes by inserting after the word "premises," in the fifth line, the words, "or a license to be exercised by a retail dealer of the fourth class to sell liquors not to be drunk on the premises."

Sale of alcoholic
liquors by
druggists.

By Mr. Cronin of Worcester, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 431 of the Acts of the year 1887, so as to require persons purchasing alcoholic liquors of druggists to present physicians' prescriptions before such sales are made, which prescriptions shall conform to the requisitions of section 3 of said chapter.

Forfeiture of
implements of
sale and furni-
ture used in the
illegal sale of
intoxicating
liquor.

By Mr. Rogers of Orleans, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the forfeiture to the Commonwealth of implements of sale and furniture used in the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors.

Vote on the
question of
granting
licenses for the
sale of intoxi-
cating liquors
to be taken in
March or April
at a special
election.

By Mr. Eames of Lawrence, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that the vote on the question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors in the cities of the Commonwealth be taken in the months of March or April, at an election held especially for that purpose.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Lynn Electric
Lighting Com-
pany. — Lynn
Gas Company.

By Mr. Wiley of Hardwick, from the committee on Manufactures, on a petition, a Bill consolidating the Lynn Gas Light Company and the Lynn Electric Lighting Company. Read and ordered to a second reading.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills:

Bills enacted.

To authorize the city of Lynn to make an additional water loan (which originated in the House); and

To incorporate the Marlborough Street Railway Company ;

Relative to the declaration of the results of elections in cities and the issue of certificates to persons elected ; and

Concerning the investments of mutual life insurance companies ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

Providing for the publication of a digest of the decisions of the Board of Railroad Commissioners (which originated in the House) ; and

In favor of George White (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolves passed.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Story of Gloucester, the report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Sumner D. York, clerk of the police court of Gloucester, for an increase of salary, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Friday, March 30.

Salary of the clerk of the police court of Gloucester.

On motion of Mr. Flynn of Boston, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John M. Berry for legislation enabling the people to get proportional representation in the Legislature, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Proportional representation in the Legislature.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the teaching of civil government in certain schools ;

Orders of the Day.

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to prohibiting any person connected with any court from serving on any regular standing committee of any political party ; and

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of J. M. W. Hall and others for an in-

crease of the salary of the justice of the Third District Court of Eastern Middlesex.

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 221 of the Acts of the year 1874, commonly called the "Ten-Hour Law," by striking out the word "ten" wherever it occurs, and inserting in its place the word "eight"; also, by striking out the word "sixty" in the last line of the first section, and inserting in its stead the word "forty-eight," was accepted, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Banks and Banking, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to reducing the limit or sum that one depositor may place in a savings bank, was considered, and was, on motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

The report of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the tax on deposits in savings banks, was considered and was, on motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, laid on the table.

The report of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the law concerning taxation of property and franchises outside of this State, but owned by citizens of the Commonwealth, was, on motion of Mr. Lovell of Boston, laid on the table.

The report of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the examination of teachers of common schools and the certificates thereof, was, on motion of Mr. Milliken of Malden, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

Ruling by the
Speaker.

The Bill to prohibit the imposition of fines or deductions of wages of employees engaged at weaving, was considered. On the pending question of order raised by Mr. Fisk of Boston that the bill is broader in its scope than the subject-matter of the order considered by the committee, the Speaker ruled as follows:—

On the ninth of February the report of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to further protecting that class of operatives known as weavers from unjust and unnecessary deductions of wages

for imperfect weaving, was duly considered. Mr. McCooey of Blackstone moved to amend by the substitution of a bill, printed as House, No. 96; and pending that question, the report, on his further motion, was postponed and placed first in the orders of the day for the next day.

On the following Monday, the report was further considered. After debate, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Fisk of Boston, the bill was substituted by a vote of ninety-five to eighty-five, and under House Rule 61 was placed in the orders of the day for the next day for a second reading.

On Monday, the twentieth of February, the bill was read, in due course, a second time, and pending the question of ordering to a third reading, Mr. Fisk of Boston raised the point of order that the bill is broader in its scope than the subject-matter of the order reported on by the committee. Mr. Mellen of Worcester asked the opinion of the Chair whether the objection was seasonable after the action upon the bill.

Without entering upon the merits of the objection to the bill raised by the gentleman from Boston, the Chair feels called upon to consider the suggestion of the gentleman from Worcester. Can the parliamentary objection that a bill is improper in a technical sense be entertained after the measure has been substituted for a report of a committee by the House? The Chair is of the opinion that it cannot.

A substitute bill occupies the position of, and must be treated as, an amendment.

In this view the question at issue is a very simple one. The substitute bill in question, having been adopted in amendment of the report by the House, takes the place of the report, and is the only subject for further action. Were it, then, an amendment to a bill which had been adopted and become a part of the bill, would such an objection be entertained? The Chair is clearly of opinion that it would be held untenable, and that such an objection should be raised, if at all, while the motion to amend is pending.

In the case under consideration, the substitute offered by the gentleman from Blackstone was open to the objection raised by the gentleman from Boston at any time prior to its adoption by the House; but, after the deliberate action of the House in its substitution, such objection is too late.

The law of parliamentary procedure rightly limits the time when mere technical objections, like the one before us, can be entertained on the theory that by its deliberate action on the merits of the subject-matter the House is to be deemed to have waived parliamentary objections.

With the merits of a measure it is not the province of the Chair to deal.

Being therefore of the opinion that the bill before us has received such action of the House as to entitle it to be further considered alone on its merits as a subject for legislative action, the Chair rules that the objection of the gentleman from Boston is not seasonably raised and cannot be entertained.

The bill is properly before the House.

Mr. Henry of Fall River raised the point of order that the bill is obnoxious to House Rule, No. 47, inasmuch as it was not reported on a petition duly presented, or substituted for a report upon a petition. Pending this point of order, the bill was postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Henry.

Bills:

To incorporate the Trustees of the City Library of Lowell;

To establish the salaries of the constables in attendance at the sessions of the Municipal Court for criminal business in the city of Boston;

To incorporate the Lowell Land Company in the city of Lowell;

To enlarge the purposes of the Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the First District Court of Northern Middlesex;

To provide for the better accommodation of the State Government in the city of Boston;

For the protection of great ponds;

To amend an act to authorize James A. L'Amoureux to build and maintain a wing dam on the Connecticut River, in the town of South Hadley;

To enable the city of Waltham, for the purpose of providing surface drainage, to incur indebtedness beyond the limit fixed by law; and

Providing for printing additional copies of the annual report of the trustees of the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded; and the

Resolve in favor of Rosanna Gaffney ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to establish the salary of the Secretary of the Commonwealth was read a second time and considered. Mr. Backup of Boston moved to amend by striking out the words "four thousand" and inserting in place thereof the words "thirty-five hundred." The question was first taken on the larger sum, and was rejected. The amendment moved by Mr. Backup was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill prohibiting statements relative to the voting at elections in towns prior to the public declaration of the result thereof was read a third time ; and, pending the question on engrossment, it was, on motion of Mr. Cheney of Worcester, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

Bills :

Relative to the right of the public to examine the lists of valuation and assessment of cities and towns (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

In relation to returns and statistics of fires ;

To amend an act to establish the office of auditor in towns ;

Extending the time in which persons may apply for assessment of taxes, and providing for evening sessions of the assessors ;

To change the name of the Manufacturers' Loan and Trust Company, and to grant it additional powers ;

To change the name of the East Stoughton Baptist Church ; and

To incorporate the African Methodist Episcopal Church in Springfield ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill authorizing the planting of clams in and around the shores of Winthrop, was read a third time, amended as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, by substituting therefor a bill with the same title, and was passed to be engrossed, as amended, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill authorizing the planting of clams in and around the shores of Chebacco River in Essex was read a third time, amended as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, by substituting therefor a Bill authorizing the planting of clams in and around the shores of Essex, and was passed to be engrossed, as amended, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relating to vaccination was read a third time, and pending the question on engrossment it was, on motion of Mr. Milliken of Malden, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

The Bill to incorporate the Washington Loan Association was read a third time and considered. Amendments moved by Messrs. Sanger of Cambridge and Parkman of Boston were adopted, and, after debate, the bill, as amended, was rejected.

The Bill relative to the stock of associations formed for charitable, educational and other purposes, was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill concerning the Christian names of persons was rejected, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary.

The Bill to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquor on Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day was read a third time and considered. Amendments moved by Messrs. Milliken of Malden and Sohier of Beverly were rejected. An amendment moved by Mr. Wadlin of Reading, to insert the words "Fast Day, or" before the words "on Thanksgiving Day," so as to make the provisions of the bill apply to Fast Day, was adopted by a vote of 72 to 27, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence, its title having also been amended, on motion of Mr. Smith of Athol, so that it read "Bill to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquor on Fast Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day."

At fifteen minutes past five o'clock, adjourned.

TUESDAY, March 27, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Motion to Reconsider.

Mr. Flynn of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, passed to be engrossed the Bill to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquor on Fast Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day. On this question the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Flynn, and, the roll being called, the motion was lost by a vote of 51 yeas to 128 nays, as follows: —

Sale of intoxicating liquor on Fast Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day.

YEAS.

Messrs. Atwood, Harrison H.	Messrs. Hayes, John E.
Berry, Francis T.	Hinchcliffe, William J.
Blake, Edwin H.	Holbrook, John A.
Boardman, Francis	Keane, Jeremiah J.
Brady, Peter J.	Lally, James, Jr.
Calnan, Patrick J.	Leary, Edward J.
Carney, Michael	Lyons, Henry S.
Carroll, Peter T.	McCall, Samuel W.
Conroy, James	McCarthy, Patrick
Coveney, John W.	McCooley, Thomas
Cronin, James M.	McDonough, John H.
Doherty, John	McEttrick, Michael J.
Dolan, Bernard	Milliken, Daniel L.
Donovan, James	Monahan, William H.
Dunlea, James J.	Noonan, Thomas L.
Finney, Elkanah	O'Neil, John W.
Flynn, Edward J.	O'Neill, Thomas F.
Flynn, Thomas J.	Pratt, Harvey H.
Gagan, Edward	Quincy, Josiah
Garity, Michael	Quinn, Andrew
Gibson, George W.	Riddell, Henry
Haggerty, David J.	Robinson, Ethan C.
Haggerty, Charles	Stowe, Elijah B.
Haskell, Henry C.	Sullivan, Michael F.
Hastings, William H.	Winthrop, John
Hayes, Elihu B.	

NATS.

Messrs. Adams, Charles E.	Messrs. Grosvenor, Charles F.
Allen, John J.	Gunn, Daniel
Allen, Montessor T.	Hartwell, Benjamin H.
Armstrong, William O.	Hatch, Franklin W.
Atherton, Horace H.	Hathaway, James A.
Babbitt, Rollin H.	Haynes, Henry D.
Backup, John	Henry, Robert
Bartlett, Joseph F.	Hill, Luther
Bennett, Charles H.	Hitchcock, Calvin
Bixby, Charles C.	Holman, Frank E.
Blume, Andreas	Hooper, George M.
Bottum, John B.	Hunt, George H.
Brackett, Albert A.	Jaques, Alden P.
Breed, Arthur B.	Kendall, Horace M.
Brewer, Edward W.	Kimball, Henry A.
Brigham, Arthur A.	Leach, William T.
Brooks, A. Olin	Lovell, Clarence P.
Brown, John F.	Lyman, Payson W.
Burnham, William Howe	Manning, Albert S.
Butler, William A.	Manning, David, Jr.
Call, Charles A.	Martin, James P.
Carpenter, George N.	Mellen, James H.
Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.	Merrill, John F.
Clark, David H.	Miller, Albert E.
Close, George	Miller, Lyman M.
Colby, John F.	Milne, John C.
Conant, Charles W.	Morey, George F.
Conwell, David	Nelson, Sidney T.
Coolidge, George H.	Norwood, Caleb J.
Cutler, Samuel	Parkman, Henry
Davis, Edmund A.	Pear, Isaac S.
Dennis, George	Peirson, Henry M.
Dewey, Wilson	Perkins, Nathaniel B.
Driscoll, John	Pierce, Charles Q.
Eames, Harry M.	Pinkerton, Alfred S.
Fales, Frank A.	Poore, William H.
Fisher, Albert L.	Preble, William H.
Fisk, Edward P.	Provin, William
Floyd, David, 2d	Qua, Francis W.
Fottler, Jacob	Raymond, Francis H.
Frost, Henry,	Raymond, Samuel M.
Gleason, Willard F.	Read, John
Gordon, William, Jr.	Richards, James H.
Goss, Charles	Robinson, J. Henry
Gracey, Samuel L.	Rogers, Samuel N.
Gray, Davis P.	Rogerson, Wm. B.
Greenwood, Morrill A.	Rounsevell, Arthur G.
Griswold, Freeman C.	Russell, Alvin D.

Messrs. Russell, Irving L.	Messrs. Turner, Henry A.
Sanford, Alpheus	Tyler, Ansel P.
Sanger, Chester F.	Wadlin, Horace G.
Shepard, Charles F.	Wales, Abijah T.
Simonds, S. Dwight	Warden, Erskine
Slocum, Winfield S.	Wardwell, J. Otis
Smith, Sidney P.	Ware, M. Everett
Sohier, William D.	Waters, Franklin L.
Southwick, Benjamin F.	Whitcher, James E.
Spring, Charles E.	Wilde, William A.
Taft, Robert L.	Wiley, Albert L.
Temple, Albert H.	Wilkinson, John W.
Thayer, Rufus A.	Willis, Rufus H.
Tompkins, Isaac B.	Woods, Frank F.
Towne, Joseph L.	Wright, Arthur
Trull, George W.	Wyman, Ferdinand A.

Yeas, 51 ; nays, 128.

On this question Mr. Kennedy of Boston, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, was paired with Mr. Upham of Waltham.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Robinson of Southborough, petition of Edward H. Perry and others ; and by Mr. Poore of Bradford, petition of Charles W. Mann and others, — severally, for the enactment of a law prohibiting the coloring of oleomargarine, butterine and like compounds in imitation of butter. Oleomargarine.

Severally referred to the committee on Agriculture, and sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, at his own request, on the petition of Charles N. Clark for the repeal of section 34 of chapter 250 of the Acts of the year 1883, relating to the laying out of streets, etc., accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Parkman of Boston. Laying out of streets.

Reports :

Of the committee on Insurance, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to regulating the levying of rates by any or all insurance companies, of whatever name or title, transacting business in this Commonwealth ; and Regulation of rates of insurance companies.

Appointment of trustees of the Boston Public Library.

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of William H. Whitmore, a trustee of the Boston Public Library, for legislation relative to the appointment of the trustees of said library ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills :

Assessors to post lists of persons assessed for poll taxes. Electric signals at grade crossings of railroads. Savings banks and institutions for savings to invest in the bonds of the State of Minnesota.

Requiring assessors of taxes in towns to post lists of persons assessed for poll taxes (reported on an order) ;

In reference to the protection of grade crossings by electric signals (reported on an order) ; and

To authorize savings banks and institutions for savings to invest in the bonds of the State of Minnesota and the cities thereof (reported on a bill introduced on leave in the Senate) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Marblehead.

A petition of the selectmen of the town of Marblehead for authority to call a special meeting of the voters of said town to vote on the question of allowing discounts for the voluntary payment of taxes was referred, in concurrence, to the joint committee on the Judiciary, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Town of Hudson.

The House petition of the selectmen of Hudson, for a law to confirm and ratify the proceedings of a town meeting held March 5, 1888, came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Reports of Committees.

E. C. Hawks.

By Mr. Colby of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of E. C. Hawks that he may be paid his costs and interest on award made him by the General Court for loss of swine and other damages caused by servants of the Commonwealth.

Abolishment of the death penalty.

By Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the abolishment of the death penalty and to removing the pardoning power from the Governor in similar cases.

Employment of illiterate minors.

By Mr. Manning of Andover, from the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to

extending any provisions of law relating to the employment of children under fourteen years of age to children under sixteen years of age who cannot read and write in the English language.

By Mr. Russell of Somerville, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to regulate the employment of labor by railroad corporations on the Lord's day. Employment of labor by railroad corporations on the Lord's day.

By Mr. Burnham of Essex, from the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to exempting municipal bonds from taxation. Exemption of municipal bonds from taxation.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of the mayors of the cities of Boston, Brockton, Chelsea, Fitchburg, Gloucester, Haverhill, Holyoke, Lawrence, Lowell, New Bedford, Newburyport, Newton, Northampton, Salem, Somerville and Waltham, for the exemption from taxation of the bonds of the cities and towns of the Commonwealth. Exemption from taxation of bonds of cities and towns.

By Mr. Floyd of Winthrop, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the city of Boston for the exemption from taxation of the bonds issued by said city. Exemption from taxation of the bonds of the city of Boston.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Bottum of Northampton, from the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill to confirm the proceedings of the town of Ware at the annual State election in the year eighteen hundred and eighty-six, and certain proceedings of certain town meetings thereof. Ware.

By Mr. Pratt of Abington, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to establish the number of officers in attendance upon the Superior Court for the county of Suffolk, and in relation to their duties. Superior Court officers in the county of Suffolk.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill in addition to an act making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year and for certain other expenses authorized by law. Appropriation bill.

By Mr. Hartwell of Ayer, from the same committee, that the Bill to amend an act to provide for the free education of deaf-mutes or deaf children ought to pass in a new draft, with the title, "Bill to provide for the free instruction of deaf-mutes or deaf children." Free education of deaf-mutes or deaf children.

Safe deposit,
loan and trust
companies.

By Mr. Milne of Fall River, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on the annual report of the Commissioners of Savings Banks, in part, a Bill in relation to safe deposit, loan and trust companies.

Savings bank.

By Mr. Holbrook of Weymouth, from the same committee, on the annual report of the Commissioners of Savings Banks, in part, a Bill relating to savings banks.

Dakota Mort-
gage Loan Cor-
poration.

By Mr. Read of Cambridge, from the same committee, that the Bill to change the name of the Dakota Mortgage Loan Corporation and to grant it additional powers ought to pass in a new draft with the same title.

Salary of the
clerk of the
second district
court of East-
ern Middlesex.

By Mr. Sohier of Beverly, from the committee on Public Service, on a petition (recommitted), a Bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the Second District Court of Eastern Middlesex.

Salary of the
sheriff of
Worcester
County.

By Mr. Towne of Lynn, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to establish the salary of the sheriff of Worcester County.

Salary of
justice of police
court of
Gloucester.

By Mr. Norwood of Hamilton, from the same committee, on petitions, a Bill to establish the salary of the justice of the police court of Gloucester.

Annexation of a
part of Deer-
field to Green-
field.

By Mr. Qua of Lowell, from the committee on Towns, on a petition, a Bill to annex a part of the town of Deerfield to the town of Greenfield.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Printing and
distribution of
certain public
documents.

By Mr. Perry of Norton, from the committee on Printing, on an order, a Bill concerning the printing and distribution of certain public documents. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

To supply the centre village of Leicester with water ;
To authorize the Ohabei Shalom in Boston to hold additional real and personal estate ;

Relating to the Collateral Loan Company ;

Relating to the sale of its real estate by the First Baptist Society in Chelsea ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

An engrossed Resolve to confirm the acts of Henry Walker as justice of the peace (which originated in the House), was passed, signed and sent to the Senate. Resolve passed.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate; Orders of the Day.

On an order relative to providing that the vote on the question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors in the cities of the Commonwealth be taken in the months of March or April, at an election held especially for that purpose ;

On an order relative to the forfeiture of implements of sale and furniture used in the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors ; and

On an order relative to amending chapter 431 of the Acts of the year 1887, so as to require persons purchasing alcoholic liquors of druggists to present physicians' prescriptions before such sales are made, which prescriptions shall conform to the requisitions of section 3 of said chapter ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to amending section 26 of chapter 154 of the Public Statutes relative to the fees of special justices of district and police courts ; and

On an order relative to extending the provisions of chapter 159, section 70, of the Public Statutes, to all the counties of the Commonwealth, the same relating to fees for summoning witnesses ; and

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Elmer H. Capen and others, that the Governor be authorized to appoint a solicitor-general for the Commonwealth, as provided for in the Constitution, and one or more assistant solicitors-general for each judicial district (and sundry petitions in aid thereof) ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

The Resolutions relating to freight-car and steam couplers and to freight-train brakes were adopted, in concurrence, as follows : —

Resolved, By the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled : —

Whereas, Thousands of railroad employees every year are killed or injured in coupling or uncoupling and in handling the brakes on freight-cars used in interstate traffic, and most of these accidents can be avoided by the use of uniform automatic couplers and train-brakes ; and

Whereas, The success and growth of the system of heating cars by steam from the locomotive or other single source largely depends on the adoption, in inter-state traffic, of an uniform steam coupler ; and

Whereas, These subjects are believed to be of pressing importance and within the proper scope of the powers of the Congress of the United States, while attempts on the part of the individual States to deal with them have resulted, and must continue to result, in conflicting regulations, —

Resolved, That the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled, do most respectfully and earnestly urge upon Congress a consideration of the foregoing subjects, with a view to the passage of a resolution instructing the interstate commerce commission to consider what can be done to prevent the loss of life and limb in coupling and uncoupling freight-cars used in interstate commerce, and in handling the brakes of such cars, and in what way the growth of the system of heating passenger cars from the locomotive, or other single source, can be promoted, to the end that said commission may make recommendations in the premises to the various railroads within its jurisdiction, and report its doings to Congress, at an early date, with such suggestions as to legislation on said subjects as may seem to it necessary or expedient.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be transmitted to the Congress of the United States and to each of our senators and representatives therein.

The Bill relating to the taking of scallops in the head waters of Buzzard's Bay was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Prohibiting statements relative to the voting at elections in towns prior to the public declaration thereof (its title

having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

To incorporate the American Landlords' Liability Insurance Company;

To enlarge the purposes of the Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society; and

For the protection of great ponds;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To provide extra clerical assistance for the clerk of the Central District Court of Worcester;

To enable the city of Waltham, for the purpose of providing surface drainage, to incur indebtedness beyond the limit fixed by law;

Providing for printing additional copies of the annual report of the trustees of the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded; and

To establish the salary of the Secretary of the Commonwealth; and the

Resolve in favor of Rosanna Gaffney;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, the last-named bill being sent up for concurrence in the amendment previously adopted by the House.

The report of the committee on Military Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 53 of chapter 411 of the Acts of 1887 relating to examining boards of the militia, was further considered. Mr. Hagerty of Boston moved to amend by the substitution of a Bill to amend an Act concerning the militia of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, which, after debate, was rejected, and the report was accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to define what shall be deemed to be intoxicating liquor within the meaning of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes was further considered, and, after debate, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill authorizing the county commissioners of Middlesex County to erect an addition to the registry of deeds building in Cambridge was further considered. The pending amendment moved by Mr. Sanger of Cambridge was withdrawn by that gentleman, there being no

Sale of intoxicating liquors on certain holidays.

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of legislation in relation to the sale and giving away of intoxicating liquors by hotel-keepers and inn-keepers on election days, Sundays, Fast Day, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day; and on the twenty-sixth day of December in any year in which Christmas Day shall fall on a Sunday.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

Attendance and duties of trustees of savings banks.

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the attendance and duties of the trustees of savings banks.

Recount of ballots cast at elections in towns.

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to defining and establishing the right to a recount of ballots cast at elections held in towns, to the end that the remedy thereby provided may be made more fixed and certain ;

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate :

Disposition of cases for violation of liquor laws.

On an order relative to repealing chapter 359 of the Acts of the year 1885 relating to the disposition of cases for the violation of the laws relating to the sale of intoxicating liquors ;

Police, municipal and district courts and trial justices, — forfeiture of liquors.

On an order relative to amending chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, so as to give police, municipal and district courts and trial justices jurisdiction to forfeit liquors, the value of which exceeds fifty dollars ; and

Entrances to places licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors.

On an order relative to amending section 12 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes by striking out the word " may " in the first line of said section, and inserting the word " shall " in lieu thereof ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Salisbury Beach Plank Road Company.

A Bill to extend the charter of the Salisbury Beach Plank Road Company (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

First District Court of Northern Worcester.

A Bill to amend an act establishing the First District Court of Northern Worcester (being a new draft of a House Bill with the same title), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

A Bill to amend an act to amend the charter of the Hawes Place Congregational Society (introduced on leave in the Senate) came down for concurrence in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule. The House concurred in the suspension of the rule. Mr. McDonough of Boston raised the point of order that the bill was obnoxious to Joint Rule 11, for the reason that the legislation desired should be asked for by petition. The Speaker declared the point well taken, and the bill was laid aside and notice was sent to the Senate.

Hawes Place
Congregational
Society.

Point of order.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Story of Gloucester, the Bill to incorporate the Magnolia Improvement Company was taken from the table. Pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, placed in the orders of the day and postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

Magnolia
Improvement
Company.

On motion of Mr. Atwood of Boston, the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Monday, March 19, rejected the Bill to incorporate the Postal Automatic Telegraph and Construction Company, was taken from the table and was adopted. Pending the recurring question on the engrossment of the bill, it was referred to the next General Court, on further motion of Mr. Atwood.

Postal Auto-
matic Telegraph
and Construc-
tion Company.

On motion of Mr. Symonds of Salem, the Bill in relation to the tenure of office of police in the various cities of the Commonwealth was taken from the table. Pending the various amendments, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, to be placed first in the orders of the day, on motion of Mr. Hall of Taunton.

Tenure of office
of police.

Reconsideration.

There being no objection, Mr. McDonough of Boston moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the Bill to regulate the hours of labor of conductors and drivers upon street railways was postponed for consideration until Thursday, March 29, to be placed first in the orders of the day. The motion prevailed. The recurring question on postponement was rejected, and, pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was,

Hours of labor
of conductors
and drivers
upon street rail-
ways.

on further motion of the same gentleman, recommitted to the committee on Labor.

Forfeiture of implements of sale and furniture used in the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors.

On motion of Mr. Smith of Athol, the vote whereby the House yesterday accepted the report of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the forfeiture of implements of sale and furniture used in the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors, was reconsidered. Pending the recurring question on the acceptance of the report, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, laid on the table.

Reports of Committees.

Charles F. Chamberlayne.

By Mr. Smith of Athol, from the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles F. Chamberlayne for confirmation of his acts as trial justice.

Evening drawing and industrial schools.

By Mr. Wright of Westford, from the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the establishment of evening drawing and industrial schools in cities of 10,000 and more inhabitants.

Snaring of ruffed grouse or partridge.

By Mr. Crowell of Dennis, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Massachusetts Fish and Game Protective Association in relation to the snaring of ruffed grouse or partridge.

Proprietors of Eastern Harbor Meadows and Beaches.

By Mr. Dennis of Gloucester, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the proprietors of Eastern Harbor Meadows and Beaches for exclusive right to use the waters of Eastern Harbor and to the fishing and fowling therein.

Tour workers in paper mills.

By Mr. Tyler of Middleton, from the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Patrick O'Connor and others, tour workers in paper mills, for such legislation as will reduce the hours of labor to sixty-five and one-half hours per week, and petitions in aid of the same. [Mr. Howard, of the Senate, and Messrs. Mellen of Worcester and Keane of Holyoke, of the House, dissenting.]

Service of notice of applications for liquor licenses upon owners of real estate.

By Mr. Driscoll of Lynn, from the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 6, chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, so that all owners of real estate within 25 feet of the place to be licensed shall have notice of the application for liquor licenses served upon them in person.

By Mr. Rogers of Orleans, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on petitions of Edward H. Haskell and others for various amendments to the local option law.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Eames of Lawrence, from the committee on the Liquor Law, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the Bill (recommitted) to exclude from juries in the trial of cases arising under the liquor laws all persons engaged in the manufacture or sale of intoxicating liquors, and recommending its reference to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Cronin of Worcester, from the same committee, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the order relative to providing that no person shall become surety on more than three bonds for persons licensed to sell intoxicating liquors for the same term, and recommending the reference of the subject-matter thereof to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the order relative to providing that no person engaged in the liquor traffic or having a business interest in said traffic shall be accepted as surety on the bond of any person licensed to sell intoxicating liquors, and recommending the reference of the subject-matter thereof to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Severally read, and, on motions of Mr. Collison of Boston, the reports were severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. P. H. Quinn of Boston, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, no further legislation necessary on the report of the Harbor and Land Commissioners. Read, and, on motion of Mr. Story of Gloucester, the rule was suspended, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Norwood of Hamilton, from the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill to change the titles of subordinate officers of the State Prison, and to fix the salaries of said officers. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

on further motion of the same gentleman, recommitted to the committee on Labor.

Forfeiture of implements of sale and furniture used in the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors.

On motion of Mr. Smith of Athol, the vote whereby the House yesterday accepted the report of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the forfeiture of implements of sale and furniture used in the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors, was reconsidered. Pending the recurring question on the acceptance of the report, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, laid on the table.

Reports of Committees.

Charles F. Chamberlayne.

By Mr. Smith of Athol, from the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles F. Chamberlayne for confirmation of his acts as trial justice.

Evening drawing and industrial schools.

By Mr. Wright of Westford, from the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the establishment of evening drawing and industrial schools in cities of 10,000 and more inhabitants.

Snaring of ruffed grouse or partridge.

By Mr. Crowell of Dennis, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Massachusetts Fish and Game Protective Association in relation to the snaring of ruffed grouse or partridge.

Proprietors of Eastern Harbor Meadows and Beaches.

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By the same gentleman, from the same committee, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the order relative to providing that no person engaged in the liquor traffic or having a business interest in said traffic shall be accepted as surety on the bond of any person licensed to sell intoxicating liquors, and recommending the reference of the subject-matter thereof to the joint committee on the Judiciary. Sureties on the bond of dealers in intoxicating liquors.

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By Mr. Norwood of Hamilton, from the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill to change the titles of subordinate officers of the State Prison, and to fix the salaries of said officers. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance. Salaries of certain subordinate officers of the State Prison.

Settlement of
claims for pen-
sions.

By Mr. Barrett of Melrose, from the committee on Federal Relations, on an order, and on the Bill (recommended) to expedite the settlement of claims for pensions, that the bill ought to pass. Referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Speed of horses
and other
animals over
bridges.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill to amend an act to authorize county commissioners to control travel over bridges constructed or maintained in whole or in part by a county.

Employment of
prisoners.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, from the committee on Finance, a Bill making appropriations for carrying out the provisions of the act relating to the employment of prisoners in the prisons of the Commonwealth.

Salaries of
certain subordi-
nate officers at
the State Prison.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the same committee, that the Bill to change the titles of subordinate officers of the State Prison and to fix the salaries of said officers ought to pass in a new draft with the title, "Bill to change the titles and fix the salaries of certain subordinate officers at the State Prison."

Charles River
bridges.

By Mr. Gleason of Boston, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, on a petition, a Bill requiring the cities of Boston and Cambridge and the Boston and Albany Railroad Company to widen the draws in certain bridges across Charles River.

New England
Live Stock
Insurance
Company.

By Mr. Clark of Natick, from the committee on Insurance, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the New England Live Stock Insurance Company.

Assessment
insurance.

By Mr. Henry of Fall River, from the committee on Insurance, on the report of the Insurance Commissioner, on the Resolve relating to the laws concerning assessment insurance, in part, a Bill relating to assessment insurance.

Taxation of fire
and marine
insurance
companies.

By Mr. Farren of Boston, from the committee on Taxation, that the Bill (introduced on leave in the Senate) to provide for the taxation of fire and marine insurance companies ought to pass in a new draft with the title, "Bill to amend chapter 13 of the Public Statutes relating to the taxation of fire and marine insurance companies."

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

*Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.***Engrossed bills :**

To establish the salary of the justice of the Second District Court of Southern Worcester (which originated in the House) ; and Bills enacted.

Permitting the establishment of a fire district in the town of Stockbridge ;

To amend an act in relation to pensioning disabled members of the fire department of the city of Boston, and for other purposes ;

Regulating the sale and purchase of poisons :

Relative to the stock of associations formed for charitable, educational and other purposes ;

To prohibit railroad corporations from requiring women and children to ride in smoking cars ; and

Relating to the election of members of the Common Council from wards twenty-two and twenty-five in the city of Boston ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

An engrossed Resolve in favor of William and Mary Reardon (which originated in the Senate) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate. Resolve passed.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Morey of Lowell, the Bill consolidating the Lynn Gas Light Company and the Lynn Electric Lighting Company was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, recommitted to the committee on Manufactures. Lynn Gas Light Company, —
Lynn Electric
Lighting Com-
pany.

On motion of Mr. Bottum of Northampton, the Bill to amend an act to authorize James A. L'Amoureux to build and maintain a wing dam on the Connecticut River, in the town of South Hadley, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and, pending the question on engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, laid on the table. James A.
L'Amoureux.

Abolishment of the death penalty and to remove the pardoning power from the Governor in similar cases.

On motions of Mr. Hayes of Lynn, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the abolishment of the death penalty and to remove the pardoning power from the Governor in similar cases, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Annexation of a part of Deerfield to Greenfield.

On motion of Mr. Qua of Lowell, the Bill to annex a part of the town of Deerfield to the town of Greenfield was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, April 11, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Dakota Mortgage Loan Corporation.

On motion of Mr. McCall of Winchester, the Bill to change the name of the Dakota Mortgage Loan Corporation and to grant it additional powers was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, laid on the table.

Protection of grade crossings by electric signals.

On motion of Mr. Wadlin of Reading, the Bill in reference to the protection of grade crossings by electric signals was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, recommended to the committee on Railroads.

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The report of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of E. C. Hawks that he may be paid his costs and interest on award made him by the General Court for loss of swine and other damages caused by servants of the Commonwealth, was accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to extending any provisions of law relating to the employment of children under fourteen years of age to children under sixteen years of age who cannot read and write in the English language ;

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 7, chapter 100, of the Public Statutes, by inserting after the word "premises," in the first line, the words, "or a license to be exercised by a retail dealer of the fourth class to sell liquors not to be drunk on the premises";

Of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to exempting municipal bonds from taxation; and

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the city of Boston for the exemption from taxation of the bonds issued by said city;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports.

Of the committee on Insurance, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to regulating the levying of rates by any or all insurance companies, of whatever name or title, transacting business in this Commonwealth; and

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of William H. Whitmore, a trustee of the Boston Public Library, for legislation relative to the appointment of the trustees of said library;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills:

To confirm the proceedings of the town of Ware at the annual State election in the year 1886 and certain proceedings of certain town meetings thereof;

To provide for the free instruction of deaf-mutes or deaf children;

Relating to savings banks;

In addition to an act making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year, and for certain other expenses authorized by law;

Requiring assessors of taxes in towns to post lists of persons assessed for poll taxes; and

To authorize savings banks and institutions for savings to invest in the bonds of the State of Minnesota and the cities thereof;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills:

To amend chapter 196 of the Acts of the year 1887, relating to investments of savings banks;

To incorporate the trustees of the city library of Lowell;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the first district court of Northern Middlesex; and

Authorizing the county commissioners of Middlesex County to erect an addition to the registry of deeds building in Cambridge;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The House concurred in the Senate amendments to the Bill relating to the public cemeteries in the town of Winchester, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The Bill to prohibit the imposition of fines or deductions of wages of employees engaged at weaving was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. After debate, the yeas and nays were ordered on this question, at the request of Mr. Fisk of Boston, and, the roll being called, the bill was ordered to a third reading by a vote of 85 yeas to 79 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen, Montessor T.

Atherton, Horace H.
Atwood, Harrison H.
Boardman, Francis
Brady, Peter J.
Brigham, Arthur A.
Brooks, A. Olin
Calnan, Patrick J.
Carey, William H.
Carman, William A.
Carney, Michael
Carroll, Peter T.
Church, Moses D.
Clark, David H.
Close, George
Conroy, James
Coolidge, George H.
Coveney, John W.
Cronin, James M.
Dame, Luther
Dennis, George
Dewey, Wilson
Doherty, John

Messrs. Dolan, Bernard

Dunlea, James J.
Eames, Harry M.
Fales, Frank A.
Farren, Thomas G.
Finney, Elkanah
Flynn, Edward J.
Flynn, Thomas J.
Friend, Henry
Gagan, Edward
Garity, Michael
Gracey, Samuel L.
Griswold, Freeman C.
Hagerty, David J.
Haggerty, Charles
Hastings, William H.
Hayes, Elihu B.
Hayes, John E.
Hinchcliffe, William J.
Holbrook, John A.
Keane, Jeremiah J.
Kendall, Horace M.
Knox, Charles H.

Messrs. Lally, James, Jr.
 Leach, William T.
 Leary, Edward J.
 Lyman, Payson W.
 Lyons, Henry S.
 McCarthy, Patrick
 McCooley, Thomas
 McDonald, Robert H.
 McEnaney, Thomas O.
 McEttrick, Michael J.
 Mellen, James H.
 Miller, Lyman M.
 Monahan, William H.
 Noonan, Thomas L.
 O'Brien, Dennis J.
 O'Mealey, John W.
 O'Neil, John W.
 O'Neill, Thomas F.
 Pratt, Harvey H.
 Provin, William

Messrs. Quinn, Andrew
 Quinn, Dennis J.
 Quinn, Philip H.
 Raymond, Francis H.
 Raymond, Samuel M.
 Riddell, Henry
 Risteen, John C.
 Rogers, Joseph W.
 Seavey, Charles W.
 Slocum, George W.
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 Sullivan, Thomas F.
 Turner, Henry A.
 Wilde, William A.
 Wilkinson, John W.
 Willis, Rufus H.
 Winchester, Reuben
 Winthrop, John
 Witt, Charles T.

NAYS.

Messrs. Adams, Charles E.
 Allen, John J.
 Armstrong, William O.
 Babbitt, Rollin H.
 Backup, John
 Barrett, William E.
 Bennett, Charles H.
 Bixby, Charles C.
 Blake, Edwin H.
 Blume, Andreas
 Bottum, John B.
 Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.
 Clark, Henry
 Clark, Schuyler
 Colby, John F.
 Conwell, David
 Crowell, Joshua
 Cutler, Samuel
 Davis, Edmund A.
 Dexter, Solomon K.
 Fisher, Albert L.
 Fisk, Edward P.
 Floyd, David, 2d
 Fottler, Jacob
 Frost, Henry
 Gleason, Willard F.
 Greenwood, Morrill A.

Messrs. Grosvenor, Charles F.
 Hall, Frederick S.
 Hartwell, Benjamin H.
 Hathaway, James A.
 Henry, Robert
 Hitchcock, Calvin
 Holman, Frank E.
 Hooper, George M.
 Hunt, George H.
 Jaques, Alden P.
 Kearn, George H.
 Kimball, John W.
 Lovell, Clarence P.
 Manning, Albert S.
 Martin, James P.
 McCall, Samuel W.
 Miller, Albert E.
 Milliken, Daniel L.
 Milne, John C.
 Morey, George F.
 Morton, Harrison E.
 Pear, Isaac S.
 Perkins, Nathaniel R.
 Perry, George R.
 Pierce, Charles Q.
 Preble, William H.
 Qua, Francis W.

Messrs. Quincy, Josiah	Messrs. Story, Cyrus
Robinson, J. Henry	Taft, Robert L.
Rogers, Samuel N.	Tyler, Ansel P.
Rogerson, Wm. B.	Upham, Samuel O.
Rounsevell, Arthur G.	Wales, Abijah T.
Russell, Alvin D.	Walworth, Arthur C.
Sanford, Alpheus	Warden, Erskine
Shepard, Charles F.	Ware, M. Everett
Simonds, S. Dwight	Wharton, William F.
Slocum, Winfield S.	Whitcher, James E.
Sohier, William D.	Wright, Arthur
Southwick, Benjamin F.	Wyman, Ferdinand A.
Stimpson, Daniel P.	

Yeas, 85 ; nays, 79.

[See Journal of Friday, March 30.]

On this question, Messrs. Breed of Lynn, McDonough of Boston, Desmond of Boston, Hixon of Chelsea, E. J. Donovan of Boston, Robinson of Springfield, Kennedy of Boston, James Donovan of Boston, Towne of Lynn, Tompkins of New Bedford, Poore of Bradford, Burnham of Essex, Gibson of Chicopee, Peirson of Pittsfield, Driscoll of Lynn, Dresser of Medford and Collison of Boston, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired, respectively, with Messrs. Gile of Worcester, Sanger of Cambridge, Symonds of Salem, Gleason of Boston, Rugg of New Bedford, Wiley of Hardwick, Waters of Orange, Berry of Salem, White of Taunton, Nelson of Lakeville, Temple of Colrain, Trull of Tewksbury, Gray of Northbridge, Carpenter of Brookline, Haynes of Sturbridge, Smith of Athol and Brown of Boston.

The Bill in relation to the employment of children *was* further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Pending this question, and pending an amendment moved by Mr. Morey of Lowell, after debate, the House,

At half-past four o'clock, adjourned.

THURSDAY, March 29, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.**Prayer** was offered by the Chaplain.*Order.***Mr. Hartwell** of Ayer offered the following order : —*Ordered*, That when the House adjourns to-morrow it be to meet on Tuesday, April 3, at 11 o'clock A. M. Hour of meeting.**Mr. Wilde** of Malden moved to amend by striking out the words, "11 o'clock A. M.," and inserting in place thereof the words, "2 o'clock P. M." The amendment was carried, and the order, as amended, was adopted.*Papers from the Senate.*

A report of the committee on the Liquor Law, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the order relative to providing that in all cases arising under the civil damage provisions of the law against persons licensed to sell intoxicating liquor, the suit may be entered against such licensed person and his sureties in the first instance, and judgment rendered against such person and his sureties, jointly and severally, and recommending that the same be referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary, accepted by the Senate, was read, and, on motion of **Mr. Collison** of Boston, was laid on the table. Subsequently, it was taken from the table, on further motion of the same gentleman, and was recommitted to the committee on the Liquor Law, and sent up for concurrence.

Civil damage act.
Bills :

To authorize the Providence and Worcester Railroad Company to increase its capital stock (reported on a petition) ; and

Providence and Worcester Railroad Company.

To provide for the preservation of the dockets, records and other official papers of trial justices (reported on an order) ;

Preservation of the dockets, records, and other official papers of trial justices.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Protection of
private lands
from trespass.

Notice was received from the Senate that the House Bill to amend an act to protect game, and to protect private lands from trespass, had been indefinitely postponed by that branch.

Committees
travelling with-
out the Com-
monwealth.

Notice was received from the Senate that the House order that the joint committee on Rules consider the expediency of amending the rules so as to provide that no committee shall travel beyond the limits of the Commonwealth unless special permission has first been obtained. had been rejected by that branch.

Railroad cor-
porations to
post informa-
tion concerning
snow blockades
or other acci-
dents.

Notice was received from the Senate that the House order that the committee on Railroads consider the expediency of legislation so as to protect the public travelling on steam railroads, by requiring information to be posted in proper places of derailment, snow blockades, or other accidents, soon after they occur; and consider further if anything can be done to prevent suffering by mishaps of the above-named nature, had been referred by that branch to the next General Court, the Senate having refused to concur in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Hartford and
Connecticut
Western Rail-
road Company.

A petition of the Hartford and Connecticut Western Railroad Company for authority to construct a railroad from the State line between Connecticut and Massachusetts to Springfield, a distance of six miles, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Railroads, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

The following petitions were referred, under the 12th Joint Rule, to the next General Court, the House having refused to concur with the Senate in the suspension of the rule, in each case, and notice was sent to the Senate: —

Water supply
for Bradford.

Petition of a committee of the town of Bradford for permission to contract for a supply of aqueduct water for the use of the inhabitants of said town; and

Haverhill Aque-
duct Corpora-
tion.

Petition of the Haverhill Aqueduct Company for authority to supply water to the town of Bradford and such other towns as may be supplied by the Bradford Water Company.

Taken from the Table.

Report of the
Deputy Tax
Commissioner.

On motions of Mr. Ware of Boston, the annual report of the Deputy Tax Commissioner was taken from the table and was referred to the committee on Finance.

On motion of Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, the report of the committee on Election Laws, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor of the city of Worcester that the number of registered voters in any precinct of the said city be fixed at one thousand instead of eight hundred, as is now provided, was taken from the table, and was accepted, in concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Wadlin of Reading, the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Monday, March 19, refused to concur with the Senate in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule on the order relative to the committee on Railroads reporting a general law permitting railroad companies chartered under the laws of Massachusetts to consolidate with any connecting road or to acquire such roads by purchase, was taken from the table and was adopted. The question recurring on concurring with the Senate in the suspension of the rule, the House non-concurred, and the order was referred to the next General Court by a vote of 114 to 30, and notice was sent to the Senate.

General law for
the consolidation
of railroads.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Brigham of Marlborough, from the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the assessment and taxation of dogs as personal property.

Assessment and
taxation of dogs
as personal
property.

By Mr. Haynes of Sturbridge, from the committee on the Liquor Law, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's Address as relates to the liquor traffic.

Governor's
Address,—
liquor traffic.

By Mr. Brackett of Milton, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 68 of the Public Statutes in regard to the sale of merchandise by hawkers, pedlers and others.

Sale of
merchandise
by hawkers
and pedlers.

By Mr. Leach of Boston, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 8 of chapter 68 of the Public Statutes in relation to granting special State licenses to hawkers and pedlers.

Special State
licenses to
hawkers and
pedlers.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill to establish the salaries of the justices of the Supreme Judicial Court, and of the justices of the Superior Court, ought to pass in a new draft with the same title.

Salaries of the
justices of the
Supreme
Judicial Court
and of the
justices of the
Superior Court.

Clerks of police
and district
courts,—extra
clerical
assistance for
the police court
of Lowell.

By Mr. Towne of Lynn, from the committee on Public Service, that the Bill (recommitted) relative to clerks of police and district courts ought to pass in a new draft, with the title “ Bill to provide for extra clerical assistance for the police court of Lowell.”

Destruction of
seals.

By Mr. Conwell of Provincetown, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, that the Bill (recommitted) to provide a bounty for the destruction of seals ought to pass in a new draft with the same title.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Printing
materials and
presses for the
State Prison.

By Mr. Gibson of Chicopee, from the committee on Prisons, on the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons on the Massachusetts State Prison, a Resolve to provide for the purchase of printing materials and presses for the State Prison.

State Alms-
house at
Tewksbury.

By Mr. Frost of Boston, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the annual report of the trustees of the State Almshouse at Tewksbury, in part, a Resolve providing for painting and certain other improvements at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Commitments
to insane
hospitals.

By Mr. Warden of Waltham, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, that the Bill (introduced on leave in the House) concerning persons committed to insane hospitals ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

To authorize the towns of Rockland and Abington to supply the town of Hanover, or the inhabitants thereof, with water ;

Authorizing the selectmen of the town of Manchester to widen a way in said town, known as Summer Street, by taking a portion of a burial ground ; and

Relative to women detained or received at police stations ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

Providing for certain changes and improvements at the Taunton Lunatic Hospital; and Resolves passed.
In favor of Thomas Fitzmaurice ;
(Which severally originated in the House) ;
Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Wilde of Malden, the Resolve providing for the printing and distribution of the new index to the Public Statutes was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, amended, on motion of Mr. Wilde of Malden, and was passed to be engrossed, as amended, and sent up for concurrence. New index to the Public Statutes.

On motion of Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, the Bill to amend chapter 13 of the Public Statutes relating to the taxation of fire and marine insurance companies was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, referred to the committee on Taxation, and sent up for concurrence. Taxation of fire and marine insurance companies.

On motions of Mr. Keane of Holyoke, the report of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Patrick O'Connor and others, tour-workers in paper mills, for such legislation as will reduce the hours of labor to 65½ hours per week, and petitions in aid of the same, was discharged from the orders of the day, under suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table. Tour-workers in paper mills.

On motions of Mr. Manning of Worcester, the report of the committee on the Liquor Law, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the order relative to providing that no person engaged in the liquor traffic or having a business interest in said traffic shall be accepted as surety on the bond of any person licensed to sell intoxicating liquors, and recommending the reference of the subject-matter thereof to the joint committee on the Judiciary, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was recommitted to the committee on the Liquor Law. Sureties on the bond of dealers in intoxicating liquors.

Sureties on
liquor license
bonds.

On motions of Mr. Collison of Boston, the report of the committee on the Liquor Law, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the order relative to providing that no person shall become surety on more than three bonds for persons licensed to sell intoxicating liquors for the same term, and recommending the reference of the subject-matter thereof to the joint committee on the Judiciary, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was re-committed to the committee on the Liquor Law.

Liquor dealers
as jurors in
trials of liquor
cases.

On motions of the same gentleman, the report of the committee on the Liquor Law, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the Bill (recommitted) to exclude from juries in the trial of cases arising under liquor laws all persons engaged in the manufacture or sale of intoxicating liquors, and recommending its reference to the joint committee on the Judiciary, was discharged from the orders of the day and was recommitted to the committee on the Liquor Law.

Salaries of cer-
tain officers at
the State Prison.

On motion of Mr. Gleason of Boston, the Bill to change the titles and fix the salaries of certain subordinate officers at the State Prison was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, referred to the committee on Prisons, and sent up for concurrence.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
Day.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles F. Chamberlayne for confirmation of his acts as trial justice, was accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the establishment of evening drawing and industrial schools in cities of 10,000 and more inhabitants ;

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw :

On the petition of the Massachusetts Fish and Game Protective Association in relation to the snaring of ruffed grouse or partridge ; and

On the petition of the Proprietors of the Eastern Harbor Meadows and Beaches for exclusive right to use the waters of Eastern Harbor and to the fishing and fowling therein ;

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 6, chapter 100, of the Public Statutes, so that all owners of real estate within 25 feet of the place to be licensed shall have notice of application for liquor licenses served upon them in person ; and

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on petitions of Edward H. Haskell and others for various amendments to the local option law ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to repealing chapter 359 of the Acts of the year 1885 relating to the disposition of cases for the violation of the laws relating to the sale of intoxicating liquors ;

On an order relative to amending chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, so as to give police, municipal and district courts and trial justices jurisdiction to forfeit liquors, the value of which exceeds fifty dollars ;

On an order relative to amending section 12 of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes by striking out the word "may" in the first line of said section, and inserting the word "shall" in lieu thereof ; and

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to defining and establishing the right to a recount of ballots cast at elections held in towns, to the end that the remedy thereby provided may be made more fixed and certain ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To amend an act to authorize county commissioners to control travel over bridges constructed or maintained in whole or in part by a county ;

To incorporate the New England Live Stock Insurance Company ;

Requiring the cities of Boston and Cambridge and the Boston and Albany Railroad Company to widen the draws in certain bridges across Charles River ;

Making appropriations for carrying out the provisions of the act relating to the employment of prisoners in the prisons of the Commonwealth; and

To extend the charter of the Salisbury Beach Plank Road Company;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills:

To confirm the proceedings of the town of Ware at the annual State election in the year 1886, and certain proceedings of certain town meetings thereof; and

In addition to an act making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year, and for certain other expenses authorized by law;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence, Rule 15 having been suspended in the case of the last-named bill.

The Bill to establish the salaries of the constables in attendance at the sessions of the Municipal Court for criminal business in the city of Boston was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill in relation to the employment of children was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. The pending amendment moved by Mr. Morey of Lowell was withdrawn by that gentleman, there being no objection. An amendment moved by Mr. McEttrick of Boston, to insert "fourteen" instead of "thirteen" in line 1 of section 1, was rejected by a vote of 59 to 85. Amendments moved by Mr. Quincy of Quincy were adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

At three minutes past five o'clock, adjourned.

FRIDAY, March 30, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Samuel L. Gracey of Salem, a member of the House.

Question of Privilege.

Mr. Brackett of Milton rose to a question of privilege and stated that during his absence on Wednesday, March 28, he was recorded as voting "no" on the question ordering to a third reading the Bill to prohibit the imposition of fines or deductions of wages of employees engaged at weaving, and asked to have the record changed. There being no objection, the record was changed in accordance with his request.

Mr. Brackett's vote on the imperfect weaving bill.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Simonds of Westminster, petition of Charles Turner and others; and by Mr. Miller of Needham, petition of W. P. Clark and others,—severally, for legislation to prohibit the coloring of oleomargarine, butterine and like compounds in imitation of butter.

Oleomargarine.

Severally referred to the committee on Agriculture and sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

Of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to amending section 4 of chapter 74 of the Public Statutes, in relation to the employment of women and children, so as to provide that women and minors shall not be required to work more than fifty-six and one-half hours in any one week (and sundry petitions in aid thereof);

Employment of women and minors in manufacturing and mechanical establishments.

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to preventing the distribution of intoxicating liquors in cities and towns in which no licenses of the first five classes to sell intoxicating liquors are granted; and

Intoxicating liquors.

Salary of the
Controller of
County
Accounts.

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Edward P. Loring, Controller of County Accounts, for an increase of salary;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Tuesday.

Records and
annual returns
of savings
banks.

A Bill concerning the records and annual returns of savings banks (being a new draft of a House bill with the same title), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Hawes Place
Congregational
Society.

A Bill to amend an act to amend the charter of the Hawes Place Congregational Society (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading. On motion of Mr. Lyman of Belchertown, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, Rule 15 having also been suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Battlefield of
Gettysburg.

A Resolve granting an allowance for the erection of flank stones and the mounting of cannon to mark the positions of certain regiments and batteries of Massachusetts Volunteers on the battlefield of Gettysburg, Pennsylvania (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Women voting
on the question
of granting
licenses for
the sale of
intoxicating
liquors.

Notice was received from the Senate, that the House Bill giving to women qualified to vote for members of the school committee in any city or town the right to vote on the question of granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors in such city or town, had been rejected by that branch.

Reports of Committees.

Rosanna
Lockaby.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of Rosanna Lockaby that she may be paid the sum of money deposited with the State Treasurer from the estate of her aunt, Joanna Dallagher.

License fees for
dogs.

By Mr. Turner of Norwell, from the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 82, chapter 102 of the Public Statutes, so as to provide that license fees for dogs not paid

on or before the first day of May shall be doubled in amount.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Tuesday.

By Mr. Haskell of Deerfield, from the committee on Agriculture, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Charlemont Rural Club. Charlemont Rural Club.

By Mr. Walworth of Newton, from the committee on Drainage, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the town of Winthrop sewers. Winthrop to construct and maintain a system of sewerage.

By Mr. Dame of Methuen, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, on a petition, a Bill to amend chapter 276 of the Acts of the year 1886, being an act for the better preservation of birds and game. Birds and game.

By Mr. Wadlin of Reading, from the committee on Railroads, that the Senate Bill (recommitted) in reference to the protection of grade crossings by electric signals ought to pass in a new draft with the title, "Bill relating to the protection of grade crossings by electric signals." Protection of grade crossings by electric signals.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Dexter of Lowell, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Resolve in favor of Monroe Morris. Monroe Morris ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for Tuesday for a second reading.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Bill to amend section 1 of chapter 269 of the Acts of the year 1887, relating to the State Board of Arbitration and Conciliation, ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for Tuesday, the question being on the rejection of the bill. State Board of Arbitration and Conciliation.

Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Relative to the payment of witnesses in inquests and in criminal proceedings before trial justices and the police, district and municipal courts ; Bills enacted.

To enable the trustees of the Foxborough Cemetery Corporation to take and hold additional real estate ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To enable the city of Waltham, for the purpose of providing surface drainage, to incur indebtedness beyond the limit fixed by law ;

Providing for printing additional copies of the annual report of the trustees of the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded ; and

To provide extra clerical assistance for the clerk of the Central District Court of Worcester ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed. An engrossed Resolve in favor of Rosanna Gaffney (which originated in the Senate) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders.

Safe deposit,
loan and trust
companies.

On motion of Mr. Milne of Fall River, the Bill in relation to safe deposit, loan and trust companies, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, recommitted to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Orders of the
Day.

Of the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the assessment and taxation of dogs as personal property ;

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the liquor traffic ; and

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to amending chapter 68 of the Public Statutes in regard to the sale of merchandise by hawkers, pedlers and others ; and

On an order relative to amending section 8 of chapter 68 of the Public Statutes in relation to granting special State licenses to hawkers and pedlers ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Banks and Banking, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the attendance and duties of the trustees of savings banks, was accepted, in concurrence.

The Bill to provide for the preservation of the dockets, records and other official papers of trial justices was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To amend an act to authorize county commissioners to control travel over bridges constructed or maintained in whole or in part by a county ;

To incorporate the New England Live Stock Insurance Company ; and

Requiring the cities of Boston and Cambridge and the Boston and Albany Railroad Company to widen the draws in certain bridges across Charles River ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

Requiring assessors of taxes in towns to post lists of persons assessed for poll taxes ; and

To extend the charter of the Salisbury Beach Plank Road Company ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Sumner D. York, clerk of the police court of Gloucester, for an increase of salary, was further considered. Mr. Story of Gloucester moved to amend by the substitution of a Bill to establish the salary of the clerk of the police court of Gloucester. After debate, the bill was substituted, and, having been read, was placed in the orders of the day for Tuesday, for a second reading.

The Bill in relation to the tenure of office of police in the various cities of the Commonwealth was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. The pending amendment, moved by Mr. Symonds of Salem, was adopted. The bill moved as a substitute by Mr. Hall of Taunton was amended, on motion of Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, and, as amended, was rejected. Pending amendments moved by Messrs. Hayes of Lynn

and Mellen of Worcester were rejected, and the bill was indefinitely postponed, on motion of Mr. Wilkinson of Cambridge, by a vote of 75 to 40.

The Bill to amend an act to limit and regulate the sale of intoxicating liquors by druggists and apothecaries was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. An amendment, moved by Mr. Perkins of Winchendon, in section 5, line 22, to strike out the words "where no suitable druggist and apothecary is found to receive such license," and inserting in place thereof the words "voting no license," was rejected. Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Perkins, the vote whereby the amendment was rejected was reconsidered, and, the question recurring on the adoption of the amendment, it was adopted. A further amendment, moved by Mr. Perkins, was adopted. Amendments moved by Mr. Bottom of Northampton were rejected. After debate, the bill as amended was ordered to a third reading by a vote of 76 to 54.

At four minutes before four o'clock, adjourned.

TUESDAY, April 3, 1888.

Met according to adjournment, at 2 o'clock P. M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Kearn of North Adams, petition of S. A. Hickox and others of the Williamstown Grange; by Mr. Morton of West Boylston, petition of Geo. A. Hastings and others of the Boylston Grange; by Mr. Wiley of Hardwick, petition of Lyman Randall and others of Petersham Grange; and by Mr. Robinson of Southborough, petition of A. D. Howe and others, — severally, for the enactment of a law to prohibit the coloring of oleomargarine, butterine and like compounds in imitation of butter.

Oleomargarine.

Severally referred to the committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Finney of Plymouth, petition of the selectmen of Plymouth for amendments to chapter 324 of the Acts of 1887, or for the passage of a new act to authorize said town to lay sewers. Referred to the committee on Drainage, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct.

Sewers in the town of Plymouth.

By Mr. Coveney of Cambridge, petition of William H. Edginton and 39 others for legislation restricting the hours of labor to ten in twelve on street railways in cities containing 100,000 inhabitants. Referred to the committee on Labor.

Hours of labor on street railways.

By Mr. Dame of Newbury, petition of the Newburyport Society for the Relief of Aged Females for authority to purchase, receive and hold by gift, grant, devise or otherwise, additional real and personal estate. Referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Newburyport Society for the Relief of Aged Females.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Bottum of Northampton, petition of the selectmen of Southampton that certain proceedings of the town meeting of said town held March 19, 1888, may be ratified and confirmed. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Southampton.

'if there be any.' At 'C,' add the words 'provided that nothing in this act shall be construed to apply to wholesale dealers and to manufacturing chemists in their sales to the retail trade.'" On motion of Mr. Wilkinson of Cambridge, the rules were suspended, the vote whereby the bill was passed to be enacted was reconsidered, and the House concurred in the amendments, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Reports of Committees.

Thomas H. Bacon,—canal between Atlantic Ocean or Nantucket Sound and Cape Cod Bay.

By Mr. White of Taunton, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition (taken from the files of last year) of Thomas H. Bacon and others for an act of incorporation as a ship-canal company, for the purpose of building a canal between the Atlantic Ocean or Nantucket Sound and Cape Cod Bay.

W. W. Wood and Charles H. Sweeney,—Massachusetts Reformatory.

By Mr. Thompson of Lowell, from the committee on Prisons, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of W. W. Wood and Charles H. Sweeney, watchmen at the Massachusetts Reformatory, for increase of salaries.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Uniform dockets and blanks in police and district courts, and for trial justices.

By Mr. Pratt of Abington, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill prescribing uniform dockets and blanks in police and district courts, and for trial justices.

Safe deposit, loan and trust companies.

By Mr. Milne of Fall River, from the committee on Banks and Banking, that the Bill in relation to safe deposit, loan and trust companies, ought to pass in a new draft with the same title.

Scallops.

By Mr. Crowell of Dennis, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, on a petition, a Bill to amend an act relating to the taking of scallops.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Reformatory Prison for Women.

By Mr. Hall of Taunton, from the committee on Prisons, on the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons on the Reformatory Prison for Women, in part, a Bill to authorize the purchase of additional land for the Reformatory Prison for Women. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

In relation to voting by proxy at meetings of corporations ; Bills enacted.

In addition to an act making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year, and for certain other expenses authorized by law ;

Relating to the publication of the annual report of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks ;

To establish the Second District Court of Essex ;

Relating to the public cemeteries in the town of Winchester ;

To provide for the release from and the return to county prisons of prisoners transferred thereto from the Reformatory Prison for Women ;

To incorporate the First Unitarian Society in Revere and to confirm its title to certain real estate ; and

To amend section 27 of chapter 221 of the Public Statutes, relating to the employment of convicts ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To amend an Act to amend the charter of the Hawes Place Congregational Society ;

To establish the salaries of the constables in attendance at the sessions of the municipal court for criminal business in the city of Boston ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

In favor of Owen McDonald ; and

Providing for printing additional copies of the Report of the Commissioners of the State Topographical Survey for the year eighteen hundred and eighty-seven ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolves passed.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Wilde of Malden, the Bill to provide for the free instruction of deaf-mutes or deaf children was discharged from the orders of the day under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, amended, on further motion of Mr. Wilde, and was passed to be engrossed, as amended, and sent up for concurrence.

Free instruction of deaf-mutes or deaf children.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
Day.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of Rosanna Lockaby, that she may be paid the sum of money deposited with the State Treasurer from the estate of her aunt, Joanna Dallagher, was accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 82, chapter 102, of the Public Statutes, so as to provide that license fees for dogs not paid on or before the first day of May shall be doubled in amount ; and

Of the committee on Taxation, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of the mayors of the cities of Boston, Brockton, Chelsea, Fitchburg, Gloucester, Haverhill, Holyoke, Lawrence, Lowell, New Bedford, Newburyport, Newton, Northampton, Salem, Somerville and Waltham, for the exemption from taxation of the bonds of the cities and towns of the Commonwealth ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 4 of chapter 74 of the Public Statutes, in relation to the employment of women and children, so as to provide that women and minors shall not be required to work more than fifty-six and one-half hours in any one week (and sundry petitions in aid thereof) ; and

On an order relative to preventing the distribution of intoxicating liquors in cities and towns in which no licenses of the first five classes to sell intoxicating liquors are granted ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To establish the salary of the clerk of the Second District Court of Eastern Middlesex ;

To establish the salary of the justice of the police court of Gloucester ;

Relating to assessment insurance ;

To establish the salaries of the justices of the Supreme Judicial Court and of the justices of the Superior Court ;

To incorporate the Charlemont Rural Club ;

Relating to the protection of grade crossings by electric signals ;

To provide a bounty for the destruction of seals ; and

To establish the salary of the clerk of the police court of Gloucester ; and the

Resolve in favor of Monroe Morris ;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to provide for the preservation of the dockets, records and other official papers of trial justices, was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, on petitions of C. M. Barrett and others that a part of the town of Medford be set off and incorporated as the town of Brooks was further considered. Mr. Winthrop of Stockbridge moved to amend by the substitution of a Bill to incorporate the town of Brooks. On motion of Mr. Fisk of Boston, it was voted that debate be closed at half-past four o'clock unless a vote should be sooner reached, and on motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly it was voted that speeches be limited to ten minutes each except in the case of Mr. Dresser of Medford. After debate on the question of substituting the bill, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Qua of Lowell, and, the roll being called, the substitute was rejected by a vote of 89 yeas to 93 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen, Montessor T.	Messrs. Dame, Albert L.
Armstrong, William O.	Dolan, Bernard
Backup, John	Donovan, James
Bixby, Charles C.	Eames, Harry M.
Blume, Andreas	Ferry, William F.
Bottum, John B.	Fisher, Albert L.
Brown, John F.	Fisk, Edward P.
Butler, William A.	Floyd, David, 2d
Call, Charles A.	Flynn, Thomas J.
Calnan, Patrick J.	Gagan, Edward
Carey, William H.	Gibson, George W.
Carman, William A.	Gray, Davis P.
Close, George	Greenwood, Morrill A.
Conroy, James	Grosvenor, Charles F.
Conwell, David	Gunn, Daniel

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Messrs. Hagerty, David J.
 Hall, Frederick S.
 Hastings, William H.
 Hathaway, James A.
 Hayes, John E.
 Hinchcliffe, William J.
 Holman, Frank E.
 Hooper, George M.
 Kearns, George H.
 Kendall, Horace M.
 Kennedy, Patrick J.
 Kimball, Henry A.
 Leach, William T.
 Leary, Edward J.
 Lovell, Clarence P.
 Manning, Albert S.
 McCall, Samuel W.
 McCarthy, Patrick
 McDonald, Robert H.
 Milliken, Daniel L.
 Monahan, William H.
 Morton, Harrison E.
 Noonan, Thomas L.
 O'Mealey, John W.
 O'Neil, John W.
 O'Neill, Thomas F.
 Peirson, Henry M.
 Perkins, Nathaniel R.
 Perry, George R.
 Plaisted, John W.

Messrs. Poore, William H.
 Preble, William H.
 Provin, William
 Quincy, Josiah
 Quinn, Andrew
 Quinn, Philip H.
 Raymond, Samuel M.
 Riddell, Henry
 Robinson, Ethan C.
 Rogers, Joseph W.
 Rugg, Charles P.
 Sanford, Alpheus
 Sanger, Chester F.
 Slocum, George W.
 Stowe, Elijah B.
 Sullivan, Thomas F.
 Thompson, A. Cranston
 Vanderhoop, Edwin D.
 Wales, Abijah T.
 Walworth, Arthur C.
 Warden, Erskine
 Wardwell, J. Otis
 Ware, M. Everett
 White, William L., Jr.
 Willis, Rufus H.
 Winchester, Reuben
 Winthrop, John
 Woods, Frank F.
 Wyman, Ferdinand A.

NAYS.

Messrs. Adams, Charles E.
 Atherton, Horace H.
 Atwood, Harrison H.
 Barrett, William E.
 Bartlett, Joseph F.
 Bennett, Charles H.
 Berry, Francis T.
 Boardman, Francis
 Brackett, Albert A.
 Breed, Arthur B.
 Brigham, Arthur A.
 Brooks, A. Olin
 Burnham, William Howe
 Carney, Michael
 Carpenter, George N.
 Champlin, Arthur B.

Messrs. Church, Moses D.
 Clark, David H.
 Clark, Henry
 Clark, Schuyler
 Colby, John F.
 Collison, Harvey N.
 Conant, Charles W.
 Coolidge, George H.
 Coveney, John W.
 Cronin, James M.
 Cutler, Samuel
 Dame, Luther
 Dexter, Solomon K.
 Dresser, Theodore P.
 Driscoll, John
 Eldridge, Albert R.

Messrs. Fales, Frank A.

Finney, Elkanah
 Flynn, Edward J.
 Fottler, Jacob
 Frost, Henry
 Gile, William A.
 Gleason, Joseph H.
 Gracey, Samuel L.
 Hartwell, Benjamin H.
 Hatch, Franklin W.
 Hayes, Elihu B.
 Haynes, Henry D.
 Hill, Luther
 Hitchcock, Calvin
 Hixon, William S.
 Holbrook, John A.
 Hunt, George H.
 Jaques, Alden P.
 Keane, Jeremiah J.
 Lally, James, Jr.
 Lothrop, J. Q. A.
 Lyman, Payson W.
 Manning, David, Jr.
 Martin, James P.
 McCooey, Thomas
 McEttrick, Michael J.
 Merrill, John F.
 Morey, George F.
 Norwood, Caleb J.
 O'Brien, Dennis J.
 Pear, Isaac S.

Messrs. Pierce, Charles Q.

Pratt, Harvey H.
 Qua, Francis W.
 Raymond, Francis H.
 Richards, James H.
 Robinson, J. Henry
 Rogers, Samuel N.
 Rogerson, Wm. B.
 Russell, Alvin D.
 Seavey, Charles W.
 Shepard, Charles F.
 Simonds, S. Dwight
 Sohler, William D.
 Southwick, Benjamin F.
 Stimpson, Daniel P.
 Story, Cyrus
 Symonds, Charles H.
 Taft, Robert L.
 Temple, Albert H.
 Thayer, Rufus A.
 Towne, Joseph L.
 Trull, George W.
 Tyler, Anson P.
 Whitcher, James E.
 Wilde, William A.
 Wiley, Albert L.
 Wilkinson, John W.
 Witt, Charles T.
 Woodward, Charles F.
 Wright, Arthur.

Yeas, 89 ; Nays, 93.

On this question, Messrs. Brewer of Boston, Kimball of Fitchburg, Slocum of Newton, Gordon of New Bedford, Waters of Orange, Crowell of Dennis, Babbitt of Berkley, Cannell of Everett, Parkman of Boston and Miller of Chelsea, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired, respectively, with Messrs. Dennis of Gloucester, Allen of Auburn, Friend of Gloucester, McDonough of Boston, Tompkins of New Bedford, Delano of Marion, Rounsevell of Freetown, Turner of Norwell, Smith of Athol and E. J. Donovan of Boston.

The report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

At two minutes before five o'clock, adjourned.

Messrs. Hagerty, David J.	Messrs. Poore, William H.
Hall, Frederick S.	Preble, William H.
Hastings, William H.	Provin, William
Hathaway, James A.	Quincy, Josiah
Hayes, John E.	Quinn, Andrew
Hinchcliffe, William J.	Quinn, Philip H.
Holman, Frank E.	Raymond, Samuel M.
Hooper, George M.	Riddell, Henry
Kearn, George H.	Robinson, Ethan C.
Kendall, Horace M.	Rogers, Joseph W.
Kennedy, Patrick J.	Rugg, Charles P.
Kimball, Henry A.	Sanford, Alpheus
Leach, William T.	Sanger, Chester F.
Leary, Edward J.	Slocum, George W.
Lovell, Clarence P.	Stowe, Elijah B.
Manning, Albert S.	Sullivan, Thomas F.
McCall, Samuel W.	Thompson, A. Cranston
McCarthy, Patrick	Vanderhoop, Edwin D.
McDonald, Robert H.	Wales, Abijah T.
Milliken, Daniel L.	Walworth, Arthur C.
Monahan, William H.	Warden, Erskine
Morton, Harrison E.	Wardwell, J. Otis
Noonan, Thomas L.	Ware, M. Everett
O'Mealey, John W.	White, William L., Jr.
O'Neil, John W.	Willis, Rufus H.
O'Neill, Thomas F.	Winchester, Reuben
Peirson, Henry M.	Winthrop, John
Perkins, Nathaniel R.	Woods, Frank F.
Perry, George R.	Wyman, Ferdinand A.
Plaisted, John W.	

NATS.

Messrs. Adams, Charles E.	Messrs. Church, Moses D.
Atherton, Horace H.	Clark, David H.
Atwood, Harrison H.	Clark, Henry
Barrett, William E.	Clark, Schuyler
Bartlett, Joseph F.	Colby, John F.
Bennett, Charles H.	Collison, Harvey N.
Berry, Francis T.	Conant, Charles W.
Boardman, Francis	Coolidge, George H.
Brackett, Albert A.	Coveney, John W.
Breed, Arthur B.	Cronin, James M.
Brigham, Arthur A.	Cutler, Samuel
Brooks, A. Olin	Dame, Luther
Burnham, William Howe	Dexter, Solomon K.
Carney, Michael	Dresser, Theodore P.
Carpenter, George N.	Driscoll, John
Champlin, Arthur B.	Eldridge, Albert R.

Messrs. Fales, Frank A.
 Finney, Elkanah
 Flynn, Edward J.
 Fottler, Jacob
 Frost, Henry
 Gile, William A.
 Gleason, Joseph H.
 Gracey, Samuel L.
 Hartwell, Benjamin H.
 Hatch, Franklin W.
 Hayes, Elihu B.
 Haynes, Henry D.
 Hill, Luther
 Hitchcock, Calvin
 Hixon, William S.
 Holbrook, John A.
 Hunt, George H.
 Jaques, Alden P.
 Keane, Jeremiah J.
 Lally, James, Jr.
 Lothrop, J. Q. A.
 Lyman, Payson W.
 Manning, David, Jr.
 Martin, James P.
 McCooey, Thomas
 McEttrick, Michael J.
 Merrill, John F.
 Morey, George F.
 Norwood, Caleb J.
 O'Brien, Dennis J.
 Pear, Isaac S.

Messrs. Pierce, Charles Q.
 Pratt, Harvey H.
 Qua, Francis W.
 Raymond, Francis H.
 Richards, James H.
 Robinson, J. Henry
 Rogers, Samuel N.
 Rogerson, Wm. B.
 Russell, Alvin D.
 Seavey, Charles W.
 Shepard, Charles F.
 Simonds, S. Dwight
 Sohler, William D.
 Southwick, Benjamin F.
 Stimpson, Daniel P.
 Story, Cyrus
 Symonds, Charles H.
 Taft, Robert L.
 Temple, Albert H.
 Thayer, Rufus A.
 Towne, Joseph L.
 Trull, George W.
 Tyler, Anson P.
 Whitchee, James E.
 Wilde, William A.
 Wiley, Albert L.
 Wilkinson, John W.
 Witt, Charles T.
 Woodward, Charles F.
 Wright, Arthur.

Yeas, 89 ; Nays, 93.

On this question, Messrs. Brewer of Boston, Kimball of Fitchburg, Slocum of Newton, Gordon of New Bedford, Waters of Orange, Crowell of Dennis, Babbitt of Berkley, Cannell of Everett, Parkman of Boston and Miller of Chelsea, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired, respectively, with Messrs. Dennis of Gloucester, Allen of Auburn, Friend of Gloucester, McDonough of Boston, Tompkins of New Bedford, Delano of Marion, Rounsevell of Freetown, Turner of Norwell, Smith of Athol and E. J. Donovan of Boston.

The report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

At two minutes before five o'clock, adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, April 4, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report Received.

Report of the
Board of Control
of the State
Agricultural
Experiment
Station at
Amherst.

The Fifth Annual Report of the Board of Control of the State Agricultural Experiment Station at Amherst was received, and was referred to the committee on Agriculture and sent up for concurrence.

Petitions Presented.

Oleomargarine

By Mr. Bottum of Northampton, petition of Charles Hastings and others; and by Mr. Wiley of Hardwick, petition of J. E. Doubleday and others, — severally, for the enactment of a law to prohibit the coloring of oleomargarine, butterine and like compounds in imitation of butter.

Severally referred to the committee on Agriculture.
Severally sent up for concurrence.

Opening of
barber shops on
the Lord's day.

By Mr. Driscoll of Lynn, remonstrances of Eugene Morse and 26 others; of Antonio Perry of Fall River and 56 others; of Lewis Allen of Marblehead and 14 others; of Edwin C. Hamel and 80 others; and G. L. Tyler and 12 others of Wakefield, — severally, against any change in the law relative to barbers doing business on the Lord's day.
Severally referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

*Papers from the Senate.***Reports :**

Recording of
all leases and
conditional sales
of personal
property.

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to such legislation as shall cause to be recorded all leases and conditional bills of sale of personal property, in the same manner and within the same period as provided in the several sections of chapter 192 of the Public Statutes for the recording of mortgages of personal property; and

Ninth Regi-
ment Massachu-
setts Volun-
teers.

Of the committee on Military Affairs, no legislation necessary, on the report (recommitted) of the Auditor on the order of the Legislature of last year as to whether the Commonwealth has been reimbursed by the United

States for clothing furnished on June 11, 1861, to members of the Ninth Regiment Massachusetts Volunteers ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Friday.

A report of the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw, at its own request, on the petition of the Berkshire Life Insurance Company for an amendment of its charter, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Carpenter of Brookline.

Berkshire
Life Insurance
Company.

A report of the Senate committee on the Judiciary, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the order relative to so amending chapter 120 of the Public Statutes that all mortgages of real estate shall be recorded within sixty days after the date thereof, and recommending that the same be referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, in so much as relates to the reference to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Recording of
mortgages of
real estate.

A Bill to enable the New England Historic-Genealogical Society to hold additional real and personal property (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

New England
Historic-Gene-
alogical Society.

The House Bill to amend an act to establish the office of auditor in towns, passed to be engrossed by the House, came down from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment. Placed in the orders of the day for Friday, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendment.

Auditors in
towns.

The following petitions were referred, in concurrence :

Petition of George W. Johnson for the confirmation of the acts done at the annual town meeting of the town of Brookfield held on Monday, April 2, 1888. To the joint committee on the Judiciary, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Town of Brook-
field.

Petition of the Holyoke Water Power Company and other corporations and citizens of Holyoke in aid of the petition of the Hartford and Connecticut Western Railroad Company for authority to construct a railroad from the State line between Connecticut and Massachusetts to Springfield, a distance of six miles. To the committee on Railroads.

Hartford and
Connecticut
Western Rail-
road Company.

Motion to Reconsider.

Division of
Medford.

The orders of the day having been laid on the table, Mr. Winthrop of Stockbridge moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, accepted the report of the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, on petitions of C. M. Barrett and others that a part of the town of Medford be set off and incorporated as the town of Brooks, and on further motion of the same gentleman the motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Reports of Committees.

Supervision of
schools.

By Mr. Wilde of Malden, from the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to school supervision in cities and towns of 5,000 or more inhabitants.

Creation of a
new county.

By Mr. Bottum of Northampton, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Walter Adams and others for a change in the boundaries of the counties of Middlesex, Norfolk and Worcester, and for the creation of a new county.

Exemption of
soldiers from
the provisions
of the Civil
Service Act.

By Mr. Sohier of Beverly, from the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 320 of the Acts of the year 1884, so as to exempt from the provisions of said act all persons who served in the army or navy of the United States in time of the war of the rebellion, and were honorably discharged therefrom.

Fees of bail
commissioners.

By Mr. Gleason of Holbrook, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to further legislation in regard to fixing the fees of bail commissioners.

Taxation of
collateral
inheritances.

By Mr. Burnham of Essex, from the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to a tax on collateral inheritances.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Friday.

Annual report
of the Controller
of County
Accounts.

By Mr. Collison of Boston, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, no legislation necessary, on the first annual report of the Controller of County Accounts. Read, and, on motion of Mr. Collison, the rule was suspended, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve providing for a new carriage-house, coal-shed and certain other improvements at the Westborough Insane Hospital ought to pass in a new draft with the title, "Resolve providing for a stable, carriage-house, coal-shed and certain other improvements at the Westborough Insane Hospital."

Westborough
Insane Hospital.

By Mr. Wiley of Hardwick, from the committee on Manufactures, that the Bill (recommitted) consolidating the Lynn Gas Light Company and the Lynn Electric Lighting Company ought to pass in a new draft with the same title.

Lynn Gas Light
Company, —
Lynn Electric
Lighting Com-
pany.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Hartwell of Ayer, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill concerning the printing and distribution of certain public documents ought to pass.

Printing and
distribution of
certain public
documents.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, from the same committee, that the Resolve providing for painting and certain other improvements at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury ought to pass.

State Alms-
house at
Tewksbury.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for Friday, for a second reading.

By Mr. Smith of Athol, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill to amend an act establishing the First District Court of Northern Worcester ought to pass. On motion of Mr. Smith, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

First District
Court of North-
ern Worcester.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Wyman of Hyde Park, the Bill to authorize the Boston & Maine Railroad to purchase the franchises and property of the Eastern Railroad Company, and the Eastern Railroad in New Hampshire, and the Portsmouth, Great Falls and Conway Railroad, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Boston and
Maine, — East-
ern Railroad
Company.

On motion of Mr. Winthrop of Stockbridge, the Bill to incorporate the town of Brooks (taken from the Senate

Town of
Brooks.

files of last year) was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on the rejection of the bill, as recommended by the committee on Towns, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday next, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
Day.

The report of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, on the petition (taken from the files of last year) of Thomas H. Bacon and others for an act of incorporation as a ship canal company for the purpose of building a canal between the Atlantic Ocean or Nantucket Sound and Cape Cod Bay, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to repealing chapter 359 of the Acts of the year 1885 relative to the disposition of cases for the violation of the laws relating to the sale of intoxicating liquors ;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to preventing the formation of trusts, combinations and pools to control the prices of articles of trade, use and merchandise ;

Of the committee on Military Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Louisa Lawson for State aid ; and

Of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Edward P. Loring, Controller of County Accounts, for an increase of salary ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To provide for extra clerical assistance for the police court of Lowell ;

Prescribing uniform dockets and blanks in police and district courts and for trial justices ; and

To amend an act relating to the taking of scallops ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To provide for the better accommodation of the State government in the city of Boston ;

Relating to savings banks ; and

To establish the salaries of the justices of the Supreme Judicial Court and of the justices of the Superior Court ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolve in favor of Monroe Morris was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Resolution requesting the State Board of Health to make an investigation concerning the sale and use of opium was adopted, in concurrence, as follows : —

Resolved, That the State Board of Health be requested to make an investigation concerning the sale and use of opium, in various forms and preparations, with a view to ascertain the extent of the evils arising therefrom, whether such use and evils are increasing, and, if so, the manner and cause thereof, and what remedies for such evils may be proposed, and to report the result of such investigation to the General Court.

The report of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John M. Berry for State loans to the people for building purposes, was further considered. Mr. Mellen of Worcester moved to amend by the substitution of a Bill to promote the establishment of benevolent building associations. After debate, on the question of substituting the bill, the yeas and nays were ordered at the request of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, and, the roll being called, the substitute was rejected by a vote of 69 yeas to 104 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen, Montessor T.
Atwood, Harrison H.
Boardman, Francis
Brackett, Albert A.
Brewer, Edward W.
Brigham, Arthur A.
Burnham, William Howe
Calnan, Patrick J.
Carman, William A.
Carney, Michael
Champlin, Arthur B.
Church, Moses D.
Clark, David H.
Collison, Harvey N.

Messrs. Conroy, James
Coolidge, George H.
Cronin, James M.
Delano, John W.
Dennis, George
Desmond, Jeremiah
Doherty, John
Dolan, Bernard
Donovan, Edward J.
Donovan, James
Driscoll, John
Dunlea, James J.
Eames, Harry M.
Fales, Frank A.

Messrs. Farren, Thomas G.

Gagan, Edward
 Gibson, George W.
 Griawold, Freeman C.
 Hagerty, David J.
 Hastings, William H.
 Hayes, John E.
 Holbrook, John A.
 Hunt, George H.
 Keane, Jeremiah J.
 Kennedy, Patrick J.
 Lally, James, Jr.
 Leary, Edward J.
 McCarthy, Patrick
 McDonald, Robert H.
 McDonough, John H.
 McEnaney, Thomas O.
 McEttrick, Michael J.
 Mellen, James H.
 Milliken, Daniel L.
 Monahan, William H.

Messrs. Morin, John M.

O'Brien, Dennis J.
 O'Mealey, John W.
 O'Neil, John W.
 Poore, William H.
 Provin, William
 Quincy, Josiah
 Quinn, Philip H.
 Riddell, Henry
 Rogers, Joseph W.
 Russell, Alvin D.
 Stimpson, Daniel P.
 Story, Cyrus
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 Sullivan, Thomas F.
 Towne, Joseph L.
 Turner, Henry A.
 Whitcher, James E.
 Wilkinson, John W.
 Winthrop, John

NAYS.**Messrs. Allen, John J.**

Armstrong, William O.
 Atherton, Horace H.
 Babbitt, Rollin H.
 Backup, John
 Barrett, William E.
 Bennett, Charles H.
 Bixby, Charles C.
 Blake, Edwin H.
 Blume, Andreas
 Bottum, John B.
 Breed, Arthur B.
 Brown, John F.
 Cannell, Joseph H.
 Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.
 Clark, Henry
 Close, George
 Colby, John F.
 Conant, Charles W.
 Conwell, David
 Cutler, Samuel
 Dame, Luther
 Davis, Edmund A.
 Dewey, Wilson
 Eldridge, Albert R.

Messrs. Fisk, Edward P.

Floyd, David, 2d
 Fottler, Jacob
 Friend, Henry
 Frost, Henry
 Gile, William A.
 Gleason, Joseph H.
 Goss, Charles
 Gray, Davis P.
 Greenwood, Morrill A.
 Grosvenor, Charles F.
 Hartwell, Benjamin H.
 Hathaway, James A.
 Haynes, Henry D.
 Henry, Robert
 Hinchcliffe, William J.
 Hitchcock, Calvin
 Holman, Frank E.
 Hooper, George M.
 Jaques, Alden P.
 Kendall, Horace M.
 Kimball, John W.
 Lothrop, J. Q. A.
 Lovell, Clarence P.
 Lyman, Payson W.

Messrs. Manning, Albert S.
 Manning, David, Jr.
 Martin, James P.
 Merrill, John F.
 Miller, Lyman M.
 Milne, John C.
 Morton, Harrison E.
 Nelson, Sidney T.
 Norwood, Caleb J.
 Parkman, Henry
 Pear, Isaac S.
 Perkins, Nathaniel R.
 Perry, George R.
 Pierce, Charles Q.
 Pinkerton, Alfred S.
 Plaisted, John W.
 Preble, William H.
 Raymond, Samuel M.
 Read, John
 Risteen, John C.
 Robinson, J. Henry
 Rogerson, William B.
 Rounaevell, Arthur G.
 Russell, Irving L.
 Sanger, Chester F.
 Shaw, Edward P.
 Shepard, Charles F.

Messrs. Slocum, George W.
 Smith, Sidney P.
 Southwick, Benjamin F.
 Spring, Charles E.
 Stowe, Elijah B.
 Symonds, Charles H.
 Taft, Robert L.
 Temple, Albert H.
 Thayer, Rufus A.
 Thompson, A. Cranston
 Tompkins, Isaac B.
 Tyler, Ansel P.
 Upham, Samuel O.
 Wadlin, Horace G.
 Wales, Abijah T.
 Warden, Erskine
 Ware, M. Everett
 Waters, Franklin L.
 Wharton, William F.
 White, William L., Jr.
 Wilde, William A.
 Wiley, Albert L.
 Winchester, Reuben
 Witt, Charles T.
 Woodward, Charles F.
 Wright, Arthur
 Wyman, Ferdinand A.

Yeas, 69 ; nays, 104.

On this question, Messrs. Coveney of Cambridge, Noonan of Boston, Garity of Boston, Lyons of North Adams, Quinn of Fall River, D. J. Quinn of Boston, Finney of Plymouth, Dame of Methuen, Raymond of Somerville, Carroll of Worcester, Woods of Boston and McCooey of Blackstone, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired, respectively, with Messrs. Kearn of North Adams, McCall of Winchester, Vanderhoop of Gay Head, Ferry of Springfield, Sohier of Beverly, Rugg of New Bedford, Simonds of Westminster, Wardwell of Haverhill, Call of Springfield, Gleason of Holbrook, Walworth of Newton and Hatch of Marshfield.

The report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill (taken from the files of last year) to promote the establishment of benevolent associations was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Labor, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate.

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The Bill to limit the number of licenses to sell intoxicating liquors was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Mr. Manning of Worcester moved to amend by the substitution of a Bill to limit the number of places licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors. After debate, the amendment was carried, by a vote of 88 to 44, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

At twenty-one minutes past four o'clock, adjourned.

FRIDAY, April 6, 1888.

Met according to adjournment, at eleven o'clock A. M.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Mr. Dowse, Chaplain of the Senate.

Special Report of the Auditor of Accounts.

A communication was received from the Auditor of Accounts transmitting a report of the expenses incurred by the several committees of the General Court for publishing advertisements of hearings before them from the beginning of the present session to the first day of April.

Expense of
advertising
committee
hearings.

Referred to the committee on Finance.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to prohibiting the payment of poll taxes by political parties ; and

Payment of
poll taxes by
political parties.

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of F. R. Barnes and others for an act of incorporation to buy, sell, lease and improve land ;

F. R. Barnes,—
real estate com-
pany.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Bills :

To include the town of Rockport within the judicial district of the police court of Gloucester (reported on a petition) ;

Rockport,—
police court of
Gloucester.

To confirm the doings of the Trinitarian Church in New Bedford, and to authorize it to hold additional real and personal estate (reported on a petition) ;

Trinitarian
Church in New
Bedford.

To incorporate the Middlesex Land Company in the county of Middlesex (reported on a petition) ;

Middlesex Land
Company.

To amend an act to supply the town of Marblehead with water (reported on a petition) ; and

Marblehead
water supply.

To enable the city of Lynn, for the purpose of providing a new high school building, to incur indebtedness beyond the limit fixed by law (reported on a petition) ;

Lynn high
school build-
ing.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Hartford and
Connecticut
Western Rail-
road Company.

Petitions of E. B. Maynard and others ; and of Horace Smith and others, — severally, in aid of the petition of the Hartford and Connecticut Western Railroad Company for authority to construct a railroad from the State line between Connecticut and Massachusetts to Springfield, a distance of six miles, were severally referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Railroads.

Southampton.

The House petition of the selectmen of Southampton that certain proceedings of the town meeting of said town held March 19, 1888, may be ratified and confirmed, came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Taken from the Table.

Daily sessions
of magistrates
at police stations
in the city of
Boston.

On motion of Mr. E. J. Donovan of Boston, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the city of Boston for legislation relative to requiring a daily session of one magistrate at each police station for the disposal of all criminal cases, was taken from the table and was accepted.

Records of
volunteer
officers and
enlisted men
who served in
the war of the
rebellion.

On motions of Mr. Southwick of Peabody, the report of the committee on Military Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to securing a more perfect record of volunteer officers and enlisted men who served during the war of the rebellion, was taken from the table and was recommitted to the committee on Military Affairs.

Reports of Committees.

Holders of
municipal and
other taxable
bonds.

By Mr. Nelson of Lakeville, from the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the holders of municipal and other taxable bonds. Read, and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Infant School
and Children's
Home.

By Mr. Wharton of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill to change the name of the Infant School and Children's Home ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

Authorizing the planting of clams in and around the shores of Winthrop ;

Authorizing the planting of clams in and around the shores of Essex ;

Extending the time in which persons may apply for assessment of taxes and providing for evening sessions of the assessors ;

To incorporate the Fairhaven Water Company ;

In relation to returns and statistics of fires ;

To change the name of the East Stoughton Baptist Church ;

To incorporate the African Methodist Episcopal Church in Springfield ;

To amend section twenty of chapter one hundred and four of the Public Statutes so as to provide for fire-resisting curtains in theatres ;

To enlarge the purposes of the Woman's American Baptist Home Mission Society ;

To incorporate the American Landlords' Liability Insurance Company ; and

Prohibiting statements relative to the voting at elections in towns prior to the public declaration thereof ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To extend the charter of the Salisbury Beach Plank Road Company ;

Regulating the sale and purchase of poisons ; and

Requiring assessors of taxes in towns to post lists of persons assessed for poll taxes ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. McEttrick of Boston, the Bill in relation to the employment of children was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and, pending the question on engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Thursday, April 12, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Employment of children.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to school supervision in cities and towns of 5,000 or more inhabitants.

Orders of the Day.

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Walter Adams and others for a

change in the boundaries of the counties of Middlesex, Norfolk and Worcester, and for the creation of a new county ;

Of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to regulate the employment of labor by railroad corporations on the Lord's day ; and

Of the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to amending chapter 320 of the Acts of the year 1884, so as to exempt from the provisions of said act all persons who served in the army or navy of the United States in time of the war of the rebellion and were honorably discharged therefrom ; and

On an order relative to further legislation in regard to fixing the fees of bail commissioners ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to such legislation as shall cause to be recorded all leases and conditional bills of sale of personal property, in the same manner and within the same period as provided in the several sections of chapter 192 of the Public Statutes for the recording of mortgages of personal property, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To establish the salary of the sheriff of Worcester County ;

To establish the number of officers in attendance upon the Superior Court for the county of Suffolk and in relation to their duties (an amendment moved by Mr. Atwood of Boston having been rejected) ;

To amend chapter 276 of the Acts of the year 1886, being an act for the better preservation of birds and game ;

In relation to safe deposit, loan and trust companies ;

Concerning the printing and distribution of certain public documents ;

To enable the New England Historic-Genealogical Society to hold additional real and personal property ;

To establish the salary of the sheriff of Suffolk County ; and

To incorporate the National Woman Suffrage Association of Massachusetts ; and the

Resolves :

Providing for painting and certain other improvements at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury ; and

Providing for a stable, carriage-house, coal-shed and certain other improvements at the Westborough Insane Hospital ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To establish the salary of the clerk of the Second District Court of Eastern Middlesex ;

To establish the salary of the justice of the police court of Gloucester ;

To incorporate the Charlemont Rural Club ; and

To establish the salary of the clerk of the police court of Gloucester ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To incorporate the Lowell Land Company in the city of Lowell ; and

Relating to the taking of scallops in the head waters of Buzzard's Bay (amended on motion of Mr. Lovell of Boston) ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, the last-named bill being sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

The Bill relating to the protection of grade crossings by electric signals was read a third time, amended as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, by the substitution of a " Bill to amend an act to promote safety at railroad grade crossings," and, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The House concurred with the Senate in its amendments to the House Bill to amend an act to establish the office of auditor in towns, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The report of the committee on Banks and Banking, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to reducing the limit or sum that one depositor may place in a savings bank, was further considered. Mr. Mellen of

Worcester moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to limit the amount of deposits from any one person in savings banks," which, after debate, was rejected, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the examination of teachers of common schools and the certificates thereof, was further considered. Mr. Temple of Colrain moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill relating to the examination of teachers of the common schools in towns," which, after debate, was rejected, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relating to vaccination was further considered. Pending amendments, moved by Mr. Milliken of Malden, and pending the main question on its engrossment, it was, on motion of Mr. Collison of Boston, postponed for further consideration until Monday.

The Bill to define what shall be deemed to be intoxicating liquor within the meaning of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes was read a third time and considered. After debate on the question of engrossment, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Collison of Boston, and, the roll being called, the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, by a vote of 82 yeas to 51 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, Charles E.	Messrs. Cutler, Samuel
Allen, John J.	Davis, Edmund A.
Armstrong, William O.	Eldridge, Albert R.
Atherton, Horace H.	Fisk, Edward P.
Babbitt, Rollin H.	Gile, William A.
Breed, Arthur B.	Gleason, Joseph H.
Brigham, Arthur A.	Gleason, Willard F.
Brooks, A. Olin	Greenwood, Morrill A.
Brown, John F.	Grosvenor, Charles F.
Burnham, William Howe	Hartwell, Benjamin H.
Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.	Hatch, Franklin W.
Clark, David H.	Haynes, Henry D.
Close, George	Henry, Robert
Colby, John F.	Hinchcliffe, William J.
Conwell, David	Hitchcock, Calvin
Coolidge, George H.	Holbrook, John A.
Crowell, Joshua	Holman, Frank E.

Messrs. Hooper, George M.
 Hunt, George H.
 Jaques, Alden P.
 Kimball, John W.
 Lovell, Clarence P.
 Lyman, Payson W.
 Manning, Albert S.
 Manning, David, Jr.
 Martin, James P.
 McCarthy, Patrick
 Merrill, John F.
 Miller, Lyman M.
 Milliken, Daniel L.
 Milne, John C.
 Morey, George F.
 Nelson, Sidney T.
 Norwood, Caleb J.
 Pierce, Charles Q.
 Plaisted, John W.
 Raymond, Francis H.
 Read, John
 Richards, James H.
 Rogerson, Wm. B.
 Rounsevell, Arthur G.

Messrs. Russell, Alvin D.
 Russell, Irving L.
 Sanger, Chester F.
 Seavey, Charles W.
 Shepard, Charles F.
 Simonds, S. Dwight
 Slocum, George W.
 Slocum, Winfield S.
 Sohler, William D.
 Southwick, Benjamin F.
 Spring, Charles E.
 Stimpson, Daniel P.
 Story, Cyrus
 Stowe, Elijah B.
 Temple, Albert H.
 Thayer, Rufus A.
 Tompkins, Isaac B.
 Turner, Henry A.
 Wales, Abijah T.
 Walworth, Arthur C.
 Waters, Franklin L.
 White, William L., Jr.
 Wiley, Albert L.
 Witt, Charles T.

NAYS.

Messrs. Atwood, Harrison H.
 Backup, John
 Bennett, Charles H.
 Blake, Edwin H.
 Butler, William A.
 Carey, William H.
 Carman, William A.
 Carney, Michael
 Carroll, Peter T.
 Church, Moses D.
 Collison, Harvey N.
 Conroy, James
 Coveney, John W.
 Cronin, James M.
 Delano, John W.
 Doherty, John
 Dolan, Bernard
 Donovan, James
 Driscoll, John
 Finney, Elkanah
 Gagan, Edward
 Garity, Michael

Messrs. Hagerty, David J.
 Hastings, William H.
 Hayes, Elihu B.
 Hayes, John E.
 Keane, Jeremiah J.
 Kendall, Horace M.
 Lally, James, Jr.
 Leach, William T.
 Leary, Edward J.
 Lothrop, J. Q. A.
 Lyons, Henry S.
 McCooey, Thomas
 McDonald, Robert H.
 McDonough, John H.
 McEnaney, Thomas O.
 Mellen, James H.
 Monahan, William H.
 O'Brien, Dennis J.
 O'Mealey, John W.
 O'Neill, Thomas F.
 Pratt, Harvey H.
 Provin, William

Messrs. Quinn, Philip H.	Messrs. Symonds, Charles H.
Raymond, Samuel M.	Upham, Samuel O.
Robinson, Ethan C.	Ware, M. Everett
Sullivan, Michael F.	

Yeas, 82 ; nays, 51.

On this question, Messrs. Smith of Athol, Pinkerton of Worcester, Vanderhoop of Gay Head, Conant of Gardner, Ferry of Springfield, Clark of Wilbraham, Gracey of Salem, Cannell of Everett, Wardwell of Haverhill, Willis of New Bedford and Wright of Westford, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired, respectively, with Messrs. E. J. Flynn of Boston, Berry of Salem, E. J. Donovan of Boston, Kennedy of Boston, Call of Springfield, Towne of Lynn, Dame of Methuen, Boardman of Marblehead, Griswold of Greenfield, Calnan of Boston and McEtrick of Boston.

The Bill to incorporate the Magnolia Improvement Company was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Mr. Story of Gloucester moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to incorporate the Magnolia Improvement Company," which was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to authorize savings banks and institutions for savings to invest in the bonds of the State of Minnesota and the cities thereof was read a third time and considered. After debate, amendments moved by Messrs. Pinkerton of Worcester and Mellen of Worcester were adopted, and the bill, as amended, was rejected, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate.

At half-past two o'clock, adjourned, the House having previously voted to suspend the order relative to recess at a quarter before one o'clock, on motion of Mr. Collison of Boston.

MONDAY, April 9, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petition Presented.

By Mr. Clark of Natick, petition of Amelia A. Bacon, Amelia A. Bacon. widow of the late John W. Bacon, Justice of the Superior Court, that she may be paid the balance of the salary that would have been due her husband for the year 1888. Referred to the committee on Expenditures, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence.

Orders.

The following order, offered by Mr. Wadlin of Reading, was rejected by a vote of 57 to 68 : —

Ordered, That joint committees be and they are hereby directed to report reference to next General Court on all matters remaining in their hands at the close of the session of Wednesday, the 18th instant. Matters pending before joint committees.

The following order, offered by Mr. Wadlin of Reading, was, at his request, laid over until to-morrow : —

Ordered, That joint committees be and they are hereby directed to report reference to next General Court on all matters remaining in their hands at the close of the session of Thursday, the 19th instant. Ibid.

Papers from the Senate.

A Bill to incorporate the Riverside Water Company Riverside Water Company. (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

A Resolve providing for further investigation relative to sewage disposal in the Mystic and Charles River Valleys (reported, in part, on so much of the report of the Massachusetts Drainage Commission of the year 1886 as has not been acted upon) was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance. Sewage disposal in the Mystic and Charles River valleys.

Violation of
rules or regula-
tions established
by boards of fire
engineers.

The Bill to provide a penalty for the violation of the rules or regulations established by boards of fire engineers, passed to be engrossed by the House, came down from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment striking out section 2, in which amendment the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Wharton of Boston, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Reports of Committees.

Payment of
travelling ex-
penses of jus-
tices of the
Supreme
Judicial and Su-
perior Courts.

By Mr. Collison of Boston, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing for the payment of travelling expenses of justices of the Supreme Judicial Court and Superior Court. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Collison, and sent up for concurrence.

Exemption
from taxation
of the property
of deceased
soldiers and
sailors.

By Mr. Blake of Bedford, from the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to exempting from taxation the property of widows of soldiers and sailors. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Worcester
police.

By Mr. Cheney of Worcester, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill to fix the tenure of office of the members of the police force of the city of Worcester. Read and ordered to a second reading.

Title and
salaries of cer-
tain subordinate
officers at the
State Prison.

By Mr. Willis of New Bedford, from the committee on Prisons, on the Bill (recommitted) to change the titles and fix the salaries of certain subordinate officers at the State Prison, and on a petition, and matters relating to the subject, a Bill to change the title and fix the salaries of certain subordinate officers at the State Prison. Read, and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Orders of the
Day.

Of the committee on Prisons, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of W. W. Woods and Charles H. Sweeney, watchmen at the Massachusetts Reformatory, for increase of salaries ; and

Of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to taxation of municipal and other taxable bonds ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to prohibiting the payment of poll taxes by political parties ; and

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of F. R. Barnes and others for an act of incorporation to buy, sell, lease and improve land ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the town of Winthrop to construct and maintain a system of sewerage ;

Concerning the records and annual returns of savings banks ;

Consolidating the Lynn Gas Light Company and the Lynn Electric Lighting Company ;

To include the town of Rockport within the judicial district of the police court of Gloucester ;

To confirm the doings of the Trinitarian Church in New Bedford, and to authorize it to hold additional real and personal estate ;

To amend an act to supply the town of Marblehead with water ;

To incorporate the Middlesex Land Company in the county of Middlesex ;

To enable the city of Lynn, for the purpose of providing a new high school building, to incur indebtedness beyond the limit fixed by law ; and

To change the name of the Infant School and Children's Home ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Making appropriations for carrying out the provisions of the act relating to the employment of prisoners in the prisons of the Commonwealth ;

Concerning the printing and distribution of certain public documents ;

To establish the salary of the sheriff of the county of Worcester (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ; and

To establish the number of officers in attendance upon the Superior Court for the county of Suffolk and in relation to their duties ; and

Resolves :

Providing for painting and certain other improvements at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury ; and

Providing for a stable, carriage-house, coal-shed and certain other improvements at the Westborough Insane Hospital ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To establish the salary of the sheriff of Suffolk County ;
To incorporate the National Woman Suffrage Association of Massachusetts ; and

To enable the New England Historic, Genealogical Society to hold additional real and personal property ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill (on leave) concerning persons committed to insane hospitals was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate.

The Bill relating to vaccination was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Henry of Fall River, pending amendments moved by Mr. Milliken of Malden, and pending the main question on engrossment.

The Bill to prohibit the imposition of fines or deductions of wages of employees engaged at weaving was read a third time and considered. The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported, recommending the substitution of a Bill to prohibit fines for imperfect weaving, which was read and substituted. On the question of the engrossment of the bill, as amended, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. McCooey of Blackstone, and, the roll being called, the bill was rejected, by a vote of 86 yeas to 97 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen, Montessor T.
Atherton, Horace H.
Atwood, Harrison H.
Boardman, Francis
Brackett, Albert A.
Breed, Arthur B.
Brigham, Arthur A.

Messrs. Brooks, A. Olin
Burnham, William Howe
Call, Charles A.
Calnan, Patrick J.
Carman, William A.
Carney, Michael
Carroll, Peter T.

Messrs. Champlin, Arthur B.

Church, Moses D.

Clark, David H.

Close, George

Collison, Harvey N.

Conroy, James

Coveney, John W.

Cronin, James M.

Delano, John W.

Dewey, Wilson

Doherty, John

Dolan, Bernard

Donovan, Edward J.

Donovan, James

Dresser, Theodore P.

Driscoll, John

Dunlea, James J.

Eames, Harry M.

Eldridge, Albert R.

Farren, Thomas G.

Ferry, William F.

Finney, Elkanah

Flynn, Edward J.

Flynn, Thomas J.

Gagan, Edward

Garity, Michael

Gibson, George W.

Haggerty, Charles

Hastings, William H.

Hayes, Elihu B.

Hayes, John E.

Hinchcliffe, William J.

Hixon, William S.

Holbrook, John A.

Keane, Jeremiah J.

Kendall, Horace M.

Messrs. Lally, James, Jr.

Leach, William T.

Leary, Edward J.

Lyons, Henry S.

McCarthy, Patrick

McCooley, Thomas

McDonough, John H.

McEnaney, Thomas O.

McEttrick, Michael J.

Mellen, James H.

Merrill, John F.

Miller, Lyman M.

Monahan, William H.

Norwood, Caleb J.

O'Brien, Dennis J.

O'Neil, John W.

O'Neill, Thomas F.

Poore, William H.

Provin, William

Quinn, Andrew

Quinn, Dennis J.

Raymond, Francis H.

Raymond, Samuel M.

Risteen, John C.

Robinson, Ethan C.

Rogers, Joseph W.

Seavey, Charles W.

Stowe, Elijah B.

Sullivan, Michael F.

Sullivan, Thomas F.

Tompkins, Isaac B.

Towne, Joseph L.

Willis, Rufus H.

Winchester, Reuben

Woods, Frank F.

Woodward, Charles F.

NAYS.

Messrs. Adams, Charles E.

Allen, John J.

Armstrong, William O.

Babbitt, Rollin H.

Barrett, William E.

Bennett, Charles H.

Bixby, Charles C.

Blume, Andreas

Bottum, John B.

Brown, John F.

Messrs. Butler, William A.

Cannell, Joseph H.

Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.

Clark, Schuyler

Colby, John F.

Conant, Charles W.

Conwell, David

Coolidge, George H.

Crowell, Joshua

Cutler, Samuel

Messrs. Dame, Luther

Davis, Edmund A.
 Dennis, George
 Dexter, Solomon K.
 Fisk, Edward P.
 Floyd, David, 2d
 Fottler, Jacob
 Friend, Henry
 Frost, Henry
 Gile, William A.
 Gleason, Joseph H.
 Goss, Charles
 Gray, Davis P.
 Greenwood, Morrill A.
 Hall, Frederick S.
 Hartwell, Benjamin H.
 Hathaway, James A.
 Henry, Robert
 Hitchcock, Calvin
 Holman, Frank E.
 Hooper, George M.
 Hunt, George H.
 Kimball, John W.
 Lothrop, J. Q. A.
 Lovell, Clarence P.
 Lyman, Payson W.
 Manning, Albert S.
 Manning, David, Jr.
 Martin, James P.
 McCall, Samuel W.
 Milliken, Daniel L.
 Milne, John C.
 Morey, George F.
 Morton, Harrison E.
 Nelson, Sidney T.
 Parkman, Henry
 Perkins, Nathaniel R.
 Perry, George R.
 Pierce, Charles Q.

Messrs. Pinkerton, Alfred S.

Plaisted, John W.
 Preble, William H.
 Qua, Francis W.
 Quincy, Josiah
 Read, John
 Robinson, J. Henry
 Rogerson, William B.
 Rounsevell, Arthur G.
 Russell, Alvin D.
 Russell, Irving L.
 Sanford, Alpheus
 Sanger, Chester F.
 Shepard, Charles F.
 Simonds, S. Dwight
 Smith, Sidney P.
 Southwick, Benjamin F.
 Spring, Charles E.
 Stimpson, Daniel P.
 Symonds, Charles H.
 Taft, Robert L.
 Thompson, A. Cranston
 Trull, George W.
 Tyler, Ansel P.
 Upham, Samuel O.
 Wales, Abijah T.
 Walworth, Arthur C.
 Warden, Erskine
 Wardwell, J. Otis
 Ware, M. Everett
 Waters, Franklin L.
 Wharton, William F.
 Witcher, James E.
 White, William L., Jr.
 Wilde, William A.
 Wiley, Albert L.
 Wright, Arthur
 Wyman, Ferdinand A.

Yeas, 86 ; nays, 97.

On this question, Messrs. McDonald of Great Barrington, Hagerty of Boston, Fales of Norwood, Griswold of Greenfield, Brady of Lowell and Turner of Norwell, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired, respectively, with Messrs. Slocum of Newton, Rugg of New Bedford, Kearn of North Adams,

Pear of Cambridge, Story of Gloucester and Hatch of Marshfield.

The Bill to authorize the Providence and Worcester Railroad Company to increase its capital stock was read a second time and considered, and, after debate, was ordered to a third reading, by a vote of 106 to 32.

The Bill to amend section 1 of chapter 269 of the Acts of the year 1887 relating to the State Board of Arbitration and Conciliation was further considered. Its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Finance, was negatived, and the bill was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The Bill to amend an act to limit and regulate the sale of intoxicating liquors by druggists and apothecaries was read a third time and considered. Mr. Towne of Lynn moved to amend in section 1, line 29, by inserting after the word "apothecaries" the words "but in every such town at least one such license shall be granted." Mr. Wadlin of Reading raised the point of order that the amendment was not germane to the subject-matter considered by the committee. The Chair (Mr. McDonough of Boston, acting Speaker) stated that the bill considered by the committee was permissive in its scope, and that the amendment, if adopted, would make it mandatory. He therefore declared the point well taken, and the amendment was ruled out. After debate, the bill was rejected by a vote of 61 to 84.

At three minutes before five o'clock, adjourned.

TUESDAY, April 10, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

*Motions to Reconsider.*Imperfect
weaving.

Mr. McCooey of Blackstone moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, rejected the Bill to prohibit fines for imperfect weaving. Mr. Towne of Lynn moved that the motion to reconsider be laid on the table. Both motions were lost.

Winthrop
sewerage.

Mr. Floyd of Winthrop moved to reconsider the vote whereby the Bill to authorize the town of Winthrop to construct and maintain a system of sewerage was ordered to a third reading yesterday. The motion was lost.

*Petitions Presented.*Hours of labor
on street
railways.

By Mr. McDonough of Boston, petition of John H. Pray, Sons & Company and 15,631 others of Boston that the hours of labor of street railway employees in said city shall not exceed 10 hours to be done in 12 consecutive hours. Referred to the committee on Labor.

Elevated rail-
way for Boston.

By Mr. Cheney of Worcester, petition of John H. Wilkinson and 101 others; by Mr. Seavey of Medway, petition of George E. Mitchell, mayor of Chelsea, and 100 others; by Mr. Lovell of Boston, petition of Thomas Martin and 101 others; by Mr. White of Taunton, petition of Eustace C. Fitz and others; by Mr. Miller of Chelsea, petition of Charles W. Baxter and 2,500 others; by Mr. Floyd of Winthrop, petition of Jesse Gould and 2,600 others; by Mr. Champlin of Chelsea, petition of A. Richards & Co. and 2,700 others; and by Mr. Close of Cambridge, petition of Henry A. Mather and 300 others, — severally, in aid of the petition of S. B. Hinckley and others for an elevated railway in Boston.

Severally referred to the committee on Street Railways.
Severally sent up for concurrence.

Orders.

On motion of Mr. Hall of Taunton : —

Ordered, That the committee on Prisons be authorized to make their final report in print. Final report of the committee on Prisons.

The order, laid over from yesterday, relative to joint committees reporting reference to next General Court on all matters remaining in their hands at the close of the session of Thursday, the nineteenth instant, was adopted. Matters pending before joint committees.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

The following order, offered by Mr. Morey of Lowell, was laid over at the request of Mr. Adams of Lowell : —

Ordered, That the committee on Manufactures have permission to sit during the sessions of the Legislature. Committee on Manufactures.

The following order, offered by Mr. Symonds of Salem, was referred to the next General Court, under the 12th Joint Rule, the House having refused to suspend the rule : —

Ordered, That the committee on the Liquor Law consider the expediency of amending section 1 of chapter 431 of the Acts of the year 1887, by inserting after the word "apothecaries," occurring in the 9th line of said section, the words "or some other person or persons." Sale of intoxicating liquors by druggists and apothecaries.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, the Bill to establish additional terms of the Superior Court for the county of Bristol was taken from the table. Pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, placed in the orders of the day and postponed for further consideration until to-morrow. Additional terms of the Superior Court for the county of Bristol.

On motions of Mr. Dresser of Medford, the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Tuesday, April 3, accepted the report of the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, on petitions of C. M. Barrett and others that a part of the town of Medford be set off and incorporated as the town of Brooks, was taken from the table and was postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, to be placed third in the orders of the day. Division of Medford.

Matters before Joint Committees.

On motion of Mr. Walworth of Newton, —

List of matters
pending before
joint com-
mittees.

Voted, That the Clerk of the House prepare for the information of the members of the House a list of matters pending before joint committees of the Legislature which have not yet been reported upon.

Papers from the Senate.

Extra copies of
the report of
the State Board
of Health on the
manufacture
and sale of
oleomargarine
and butterine.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Printing consider the expediency of printing, for the use of the Legislature, fifteen hundred extra copies of the report of the State Board of Health, made in compliance with the order of the Legislature of 1887, relative to the manufacture and sale of oleomargarine and butterine, their healthfulness as articles of food, and also whether they are sold in compliance with existing laws.

Reports :

Sale of tobacco
to minors.

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to more effectually preventing the sale of tobacco, in any form, to minors ;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate :

Telephone
rates.

On an order relative to regulating by law the rates that can be charged for the use of telephones ;

Ibid.

On an order relative to regulating by statute the amount to be charged by telephone companies in this State ; and

Inspection and
construction of
buildings in the
city of Boston.

On an order relative to amending section 102 of chapter 374 of the Acts of the year 1885, by striking out the words "two thicknesses of asbestos paper," contained in lines seven and eight of said section ; and to further amend said section by defining the weight, per square yard, of the fireproof or incombustible material to be used as provided in said section ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Hopkinton Rail-
road Company,
— Milford and
Woonsocket
Railroad Com-
pany.

A Bill to confirm a deed of release from the Hopkinton Railroad Company to the Milford and Woonsocket Railroad Company, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

A Resolve to provide for electric lighting machinery, solitary cells and painting at the Reformatory Prison for Women (reported on the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons on the Reformatory Prison for Women), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Reformatory
Prison for
Women.

The Senate Bill to establish the salary of the Secretary of the Commonwealth came down with the indorsement that the Senate insisted on its non-concurrence, and asked for a committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses, Messrs. Hartwell, Glines and Crosby being appointed said committee on the part of the Senate. On motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, the House concurred in the appointment of a committee.

Salary of the
Secretary of
the Common-
wealth.

A Resolution of the Norfolk District Medical Society concerning the establishment of a hospital to which inebriates may be committed was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Hospital for
Inebriates.

A report of the State Board of Education, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 31 of the Resolves of 1887, on the subject of evening high schools, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Education.

Report of the
State Board of
Education on
the subject of
evening high
schools.

A report of the State Board of Health, made in compliance with an order of the Legislature of 1887, upon "the manufacture and sale of oleomargarine and butterine, their healthfulness as articles of food, and also the question whether they are sold in compliance with existing laws," was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Health.

Report of the
State Board of
Health on the
manufacture
and sale of
oleomargarine
and butterine.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Colby of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to such legislation as will permit the opening of barber shops within reasonable hours on the Lord's day, and a petition relative to the subject.

Opening bar-
ber shops on the
Lord's day.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the retail sale of tobacco, cigars and articles of food on the Lord's day.

Sale of tobacco
on the Lord's
day.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, from the committee on Finance, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to furnishing Keystone bill-files for the use of the House.

Keystone bill-
files.

Appointment of agents for counties to aid in prosecutions under the liquor law.

By Mr. Manning of Worcester, from the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the appointment by the Governor and Council of agents for each county to aid in prosecutions under the liquor laws.

Voting by counties on the liquor question.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the present local option laws so as to allow the vote on liquor licenses to be taken by counties.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Notice and service of notice of petitions for the enforcement of liens on buildings and lands.

By Mr. Smith of Athol, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill relative to notice and service of notice of petitions for the enforcement of liens on buildings and lands.

Compensation of assessors.

By Mr. Clark of Wilbraham, from the committee on Public Service, on an order, a Bill to amend section ninety-five of chapter eleven of the Public Statutes, relating to the compensation of assessors.

County taxes.

By Mr. Jaques of Haverhill, from the committee on County Estimates, on the estimates of the several counties for taxes the present year, a Resolve granting county taxes.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

District police, — pawn shops.

By Mr. Wharton of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill to authorize the district police to enter and examine pawn shops, ought to pass.

Salaries and fees of clerks of Superior Court and Supreme Judicial Court.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill relating to the salaries of the clerks of courts and the payment of fees in the Superior Court and the Supreme Judicial Court ought to pass, with certain amendments.

Clerical assistance in the office of the register of Probate and Insolvency for the county of Suffolk. Subordinate officers at the State Prison.

By Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill relating to clerical assistance in the office of the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Suffolk ought to pass.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Bill to change the title and fix the salaries of certain subordinate officers at the State Prison ought to pass.

Reformatory Prison for Women.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, from the same committee, that the Bill to authorize the purchase of additional land for the Reformatory Prison for Women ought to pass.

By Mr. Dexter of Lowell, from the same committee, ^{Charles E. Fogerty.} that the Senate Resolve in favor of Charles E. Fogerty ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.

Engrossed bills :

To amend an act establishing the First District Court ^{Bills enacted.} of Northern Worcester ;

To amend chapter 196 of the Acts of the year 1887, relating to investments by savings banks ;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the First District Court of Northern Middlesex ; and

To provide a further water supply for the city of Malden ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To provide for the preservation of the dockets, records and other official papers of trial justices (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

An engrossed Resolve in favor of Monroe Morris ^{Resolve passed.} (which originated in the Senate) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Read of Cambridge, the Bill concerning the records and annual returns of savings banks ^{Records and annual returns of savings banks.} was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and, pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, recommitted to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Taxation; inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to imposing a tax on collateral inheritances ; and ^{Orders of the Day.}

On an order relative to exempting from taxation the property of widows of soldiers and sailors ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To amend section 1 of chapter 269 of the Acts of the year 1887 relating to the State Board of Arbitration and Conciliation ; and

To incorporate the Riverside Water Company ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To provide a bounty for the destruction of seals ;

To provide for extra clerical assistance for the police court of Lowell (amended on motion of Mr. Qua of Lowell) ;

Prescribing uniform dockets and blanks in police and district courts and for trial justices (amended on motions of Messrs Champlin of Chelsea and Pratt of Arlington) ;

To incorporate the Magnolia Improvement Company ;

Consolidating the Lynn Gas Light Company and the Lynn Electric Lighting Company ; and

To amend an act relating to the taking of scallops in the waters adjacent to the town of Nantucket (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence, Rule 15 having been suspended in the case of the last-named bill.

Bills :

To confirm the doings of the Trinitarian Church in New Bedford, and to authorize it to hold additional real and personal estate ;

To amend an Act to supply the town of Marblehead with water ;

To enable the city of Lynn, for the purpose of providing a new high school building, to incur indebtedness beyond the limit fixed by law ; and

To change the name of the Infant School and Children's Home ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, Rule 15 having been suspended in the case of the last-named bill.

The Bill to authorize the Boston and Maine Railroad to purchase the franchises and property of the Eastern Railroad Company, and the Eastern Railroad in New Hampshire, and the Portsmouth, Great Falls and Conway

Railroad, was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. On motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, it was voted that debate be closed at half-past four o'clock, unless a vote should be sooner reached, and on motion of Mr. Coveney of Cambridge, it was voted that speeches be limited to ten minutes each. After debate, amendments moved by Messrs. Wardwell of Haverhill and Wadlin of Reading were adopted. Mr. Wyman of Hyde Park moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill authorizing the Boston and Maine Railroad to purchase the Eastern Railroad Company, the Eastern Railroad in New Hampshire, and the Portsmouth, Great Falls and Conway Railroad," which was rejected. The bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The report (S.) of the committee on Military Affairs, no legislation necessary, on the report (recommitted) of the Auditor on the order of the Legislature of last year as to whether the Commonwealth has been reimbursed by the United States for clothing furnished on June 11, 1861, to members of the Ninth Regiment Massachusetts Volunteers, was, on motion of Mr. E. J. Donovan of Boston, postponed for further consideration until Friday, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

The Bill to limit the number of places licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors was read a third time and considered. Mr. Whitcher of Stoneham moved to amend by inserting in the fifteenth line of section one, after the word "void," the words "but no such license shall be issued to be exercised within one-fourth mile of the line of an adjoining town voting no license." Mr. Parkman of Boston raised the point of order that the amendment was not germane, as it extended beyond the scope of the subject-matter of the orders considered by the committee. The Speaker declared the point well taken, and the amendment was ruled out. Pending the question on the engrossment of the bill, the House,

At eight minutes before five o'clock, adjourned.

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WEDNESDAY, April 11, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Motion to Reconsider.

Sale of intoxicating liquors by druggists and apothecaries.

Mr. Symonds of Salem moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, refused to suspend the 12th Joint Rule on the order relative to amending section 1 of chapter 431 of the Acts of the year 1887, by inserting after the word "apothecaries," occurring in the 9th line of said section, the words "some other person or persons." The motion was lost.

Petitions Presented.

Elevated railway in Boston.

By Mr. Floyd of Winthrop, petitions of W. M. Snow and others, and of David Belcher and others, — severally, in aid of the petition of S. B. Hinckley and others for an elevated railway in Boston.

Severally referred to the committee on Street Railways. Severally sent up for concurrence.

Order.

Committee on Manufactures.

The order, laid over from yesterday, relative to permitting the committee on Manufactures to sit during the sessions of the Legislature, was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

Introduced on Leave.

Widow of the late Rowse R. Clarke.

By Mr. Gile of Worcester, a Resolve in favor of the widow of the late Rowse R. Clarke. Read twice, under a suspension of the rules, and ordered to a third reading.

Papers from the Senate.

City charter for the town of North Adams.

A report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of A. W. Preston and others relating to a city charter for the town of North Adams, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills :

To change the name of Commonwealth Safe Deposit and Trust Company (reported on a petition) ; and

Concerning neglected children and juvenile offenders (reported on an order) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

A Bill to confirm the proceedings of the annual meeting of the town of Revere (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading. On motion of Mr. Miller of Chelsea, the rules were suspended and the bill was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, Rule 15 having also been suspended, on motion of the same gentleman.

The House Bill requiring the cities of Boston and Cambridge and the Boston and Albany Railroad Company to widen the draws in certain bridges across Charles River, passed to be engrossed by the House, came down from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Leach of Boston, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of James F. Mullen and others, lot owners in the cemetery belonging to the Boston Catholic Cemetery Association, for legislation relating to the management of said association. Read and placed in the orders of the day for tomorrow.

By Mr. Wharton of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, on petitions, a Bill to amend section 1 of chapter 305 of the Acts of the year 1886, concerning the punishment for rape.

By Mr. Colby of Boston, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill fixing the time when reports by auditors, masters in chancery and special masters shall be filed.

By Mr. Gagan of Boston, from the committee on County Estimates, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the county

Commonwealth Safe Deposit and Trust Company. Neglected children and juvenile offenders.

Town of Revere.

Bridges across Charles River.

Boston Catholic Cemetery Association.

Age of consent, — rape.

Reports of auditors, masters in chancery and special masters.

Salem court house.

commissioners of the county of Essex to borrow money for the purpose of enlarging the court house at Salem.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Battlefield of
Gettysburg.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Resolve granting an allowance for the erection of flank stones and the mounting of cannon to mark the positions of certain regiments and batteries of Massachusetts Volunteers on the battlefield of Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, ought to pass.

Salary of the
district attorney
for the South-
eastern district.

By Mr. Allen of Woburn, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill to establish the salary of the district attorney for the Southeastern District, and to provide for the appointment of a temporary assistant to the district attorney, ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Massachusetts
Agricultural
College.

By Mr. Brigham of Marlborough, from the committee on Agriculture, on the report of the Trustees of the Massachusetts Agricultural College, in part, a Resolve providing for certain apparatus, buildings, insurance, repairs and furnishing at the Massachusetts Agricultural College. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

To incorporate the New England Live Stock Insurance Company ;

To amend an act to establish the office of auditor in towns ; and

To provide a penalty for the violation of the rules or regulations established by boards of fire engineers ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To confirm proceedings of the annual meeting of the town of Revere ;

To define what shall be deemed to be intoxicating liquor within the meaning of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes ;

To incorporate the Lowell Land Company in the city of Lowell ;

Relating to the taking of scallops in the head waters of Buzzard's Bay ; and

To change the name of the Infant School and Children's Home;

(Which severally originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

An engrossed Resolve providing for the printing and distribution of the new Index to the Public Statutes (which originated in the House) was passed, signed, and sent to the Senate. Resolve passed.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motions of Mr. Symonds of Salem, the report of the committee on Finance, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to furnishing Keystone bill-files for the use of the House, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table. Keystone bill-files.

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, the Bill to fix the tenure of office of the members of the police force of the city of Worcester was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, laid on the table. Tenure of office of members of the police force of the city of Worcester.

On motion of Mr. Barrett of Melrose, the Bill to amend chapter 276 of the Acts of the year 1886, being an act for the better preservation of birds and game, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and, pending the question on its engrossment, Mr. Barrett moved to amend the bill by striking out all after the third line and inserting in place thereof the words "by striking out in the third line of section one the word August and inserting in place thereof the word September." Pending this amendment, and pending the question on engrossment, it was, on further motion of Mr. Barrett, laid on the table. Preservation of birds and game.

Orders of the Day.

Reports:

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate: Orders of the Day.

On an order relative to amending the present local option laws so as to allow the vote on liquor licenses to be taken by counties; and

On an order relative to the appointment by the Governor and Council of agents for each county to aid in prosecutions under the liquor laws ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to more effectually preventing the sale of tobacco, in any form, to minors ; and

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to regulating by law the rates that can be charged for the use of telephones ;

On an order relative to regulating by statute the amount to be charged by telephone companies in this State ; and

On an order relative to amending section 102 of chapter 374 of the Acts of the year 1885, by striking out the words "two thicknesses of asbestos paper," contained in lines seven and eight of said section ; and to further amend said section by defining the weight, per square yard, of the fireproof or incombustible material to be used as provided in said section ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

Relating to clerical assistance in the office of the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Suffolk ;

To authorize the purchase of additional land for the Reformatory Prison for Women ; and

To authorize the district police to enter and examine pawn shops ; and

Resolves :

In favor of Charles E. Fogerty ; and

Granting county taxes ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to establish additional terms of the Superior Court for the county of Bristol was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to amend section 1 of chapter 269 of the Acts of the year 1887 relating to the State Board of Arbitration and Conciliation was read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to incorporate the Riverside Water Company was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to limit the number of places licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. An amendment, moved by Mr. Collison of Boston, to strike out section 3, was adopted. Mr. Flynn of Boston raised the point of order that the bill was improperly before the House, the subject having been finally disposed of by the acceptance of the report of the committee on the Liquor Law, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's address as relates to the subject of the liquor traffic. Pending the point of order, and pending the main question on the engrossment of the bill, it was, on motion of Mr. Parkman of Boston, laid on the table.

The Bill to annex a part of the town of Deerfield to the town of Greenfield was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. On motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, it was voted that debate be closed at 4 o'clock, unless a vote should be sooner reached. After debate, an amendment, moved by Mr. Champlin of Chelsea, was rejected by a vote of 43 to 92, and the bill was rejected by a vote of 51 to 103.

The Bill to incorporate the town of Brooks (taken from the Senate files of last year) was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Slocum of Newton, pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Towns.

The motion to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Tuesday, April 3, accepted the report of the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, on petitions of C. M. Barrett and others that a part of the town of Medford be set off and incorporated as the town of Brooks, was further considered. After debate, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Dresser of Medford, and, the roll being called, the motion to reconsider was lost, by a vote of 82 yeas to 87 nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen, John J.
Allen, Montessor T.
Blake, Edwin H.
Boardman, Francis
Brigham, Arthur A.
Brown, John F.

Messrs. Calnan, Patrick J.
Cannell, Joseph H.
Carey, William H.
Carroll, Peter T.
Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.
Clark, Schuyler

Messrs. Colby, John F.
 Crowell, Joshua
 Cutler, Samuel
 Doherty, John
 Dolan, Bernard
 Ferry, William F.
 Finney, Elkanah
 Fisk, Edward P.
 Floyd, David, 2d
 Flynn, Thomas J.
 Gagan, Edward
 Gibson, George W.
 Gleason, Joseph H.
 Gray, Davis P.
 Greenwood, Morrill A.
 Grosvenor, Charles F.
 Hagerty, David J.
 Hastings, William H.
 Hathaway, James A.
 Holman, Frank E.
 Hooper, George M.
 Keane, Jeremiah J.
 Kearn, George H.
 Kendall, Horace M.
 Kennedy, Patrick J.
 Kimball, John W.
 Lovell, Clarence P.
 Lyman, Payson W.
 Lyons, Henry S.
 McCarthy, Patrick
 McDonald, Robert H.
 McEnaney, Thomas O.
 Mellen, James H.
 Miller, Lyman M.
 Milliken, Daniel L.

Messrs. Milne, John C.
 Monahan, William H.
 Morton, Harrison E.
 Nelson, Sidney T.
 O'Mealey, John W.
 O'Neil, John W.
 O'Neill, Thomas F.
 Parkman, Henry
 Pear, Isaac S.
 Peirson, Henry M.
 Perkins, Nathaniel R.
 Plaisted, John W.
 Provin, William
 Quincy, Josiah
 Quinn, Andrew
 Quinn, Philip H.
 Raymond, Samuel M.
 Rogers, Joseph W.
 Sanford, Alpheus
 Sanger, Chester F.
 Slocum, George W.
 Stimpson, Daniel P.
 Story, Cyrus
 Stowe, Elijah B.
 Tyler, Ansel P.
 Walworth, Arthur C.
 Warden, Erskine
 Wardwell, J. Otis
 Ware, M. Everett
 Waters, Franklin L.
 Wilde, William A.
 Willis, Rufus H.
 Winchester, Reuben
 Winthrop, John
 Witt, Charles T.

NARS.

Messrs. Armstrong, William O. **Messrs.** Close, George
 Bartlett, Joseph F. Collison, Harvey N.
 Bennett, Charles H. Conant, Charles W.
 Berry, Francis T. Coolidge, George H.
 Brackett, Albert A. Coveney, John W.
 Breed, Arthur B. Dame, Albert L.
 Brooks, A. Olin Dennis, George
 Call, Charles A. Dewey, Wilson
 Carney, Michael Donovan, Edward J.
 Champlin, Arthur B. Donovan, James
 Church, Moses D. Dresser, Theodore P.
 Clark, David H. Dunlea, James J.

Messrs. Eames, Harry M.
 Eldridge, Albert R.
 Fales, Frank A.
 Flynn, Edward J.
 Fottler, Jacob
 Friend, Henry
 Frost, Henry
 Garity, Michael
 Gile, William A.
 Gleason, Willard F.
 Hartwell, Benjamin H.
 Haskell, Henry C.
 Hatch, Franklin W.
 Hayes, Elihu B.
 Haynes, Henry D.
 Hinchcliffe, William J.
 Hitchcock, Calvin
 Hixon, William S.
 Hunt, George H.
 Jaques, Alden P.
 Knox, Charles H.
 Lally, James, Jr.
 Leach, William T.
 Leary, Edward J.
 Lothrop, J. Q. A.
 Manning, Albert S.
 Martin, James P.
 McCooley, Thomas
 McDonough, John H.
 McEttrick, Michael J.
 Merrill, John F.
 Morey, George F.

Messrs. Morin, John M.
 Pierce, Charles Q.
 Quinn, Dennis J.
 Raymond, Francis H.
 Read, John
 Richards, James H.
 Robinson, J. Henry
 Rogerson, William B.
 Rounsevell, Arthur G.
 Russell, Irving L.
 Shepard, Charles F.
 Simonds, S. Dwight
 Sohler, William D.
 Southwick, Benjamin F.
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 Sullivan, Thomas F.
 Symonds, Charles H.
 Taft, Robert L.
 Temple, Albert H.
 Thompson, A. Cranston
 Thompson, Albert G.
 Towne, Joseph L.
 Trull, George W.
 Upham, Samuel O.
 Vanderhoop, Edwin D.
 Wadlin, Horace G.
 Wharton, William F.
 Whitcher, James E.
 Wiley, Albert L.
 Wilkinson, John W.
 Wyman, Ferdinand A.

Yeas, 82; nays, 87.

On this question, Messrs. Brewer of Boston, Bottum of Northampton, Slocum of Newton, Rugg of New Bedford, Cronin of Worcester, Gunn of Boston, Backup of Boston, Riddell of Nantucket, Hayes of Boston, Manning of Worcester, Brady of Lowell, Davis of Somerset and Wales of Attleborough, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired, respectively, with Messrs. Barrett of Melrose, Turner of Norwell, Miller of Needham, Conroy of Fall River, Qua of Lowell, Bixby of Brockton, Butler of Georgetown, Carman of Fall River, Driscoll of Lynn, Clark of Wilbraham, Russell of Maynard, Atherton of Saugus and Seavey of Medway.

At fifteen minutes before five o'clock, adjourned.

THURSDAY, April 12, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

East Stoughton
Cemetery
Association.

By Mr. Dolan of Avon, petition of Silas S. Gifford and others, members of the East Stoughton Cemetery Association, for a change of name for said association. Referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Elevated rail-
road in Boston.

By Mr. Frost of Boston, petition of Fowle, Hibbard & Company and 80 others, in aid of the petition of S. B. Hinckley and others for a charter for an elevated railroad in Boston. Referred to the committee on Street Railways.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Taken from the Table.

Town of
Brooks.

On motion of Mr. Symonds of Salem, the Bill to incorporate the town of Brooks (taken from the Senate files of last year) was taken from the table, and was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Towns.

Papers from the Senate.

Civil service.

A Bill to amend an act to improve the civil service of the Commonwealth and the cities thereof (reported on an order), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Amelia A.
Bacon.

A Resolve in favor of the widow of the late John William Bacon (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading. On motion of Mr. Ware of Boston, the rules were suspended, and the resolve was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, Rule 15 having also been suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

A Bill relating to the report of the controller of the accounts of county officers, officers of inferior courts and trial justices (introduced on leave in the Senate), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Report of the controller of accounts of county officers, officers of inferior courts and trial justices.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to prohibiting persons not members of the bar from representing themselves as such.

Prohibiting persons not members of the bar from representing themselves as such.

By Mr. Trull of Tewksbury, from the committee on Agriculture, leave to withdraw, on the petition of James R. Adams for reimbursement of expenses in case of hog-cholera among his swine.

James R. Adams.

By Mr. Wilde of Malden, from the committee on Education, no legislation necessary, on the report of the State Board of Education upon the revision of the statutory list of studies required to be taught in the public schools.

Report of the State Board of Education, — studies in public schools.

By Mr. Sohier of Beverly, from the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor of the city of Boston for an amendment of the Civil Service law so as to exempt from its general provisions the common laborers of the departments of the said city. (Mr. Sullivan, of the Senate, and Mr. Towne of Lynn, of the House, dissenting.)

Exempting laborers in the city of Boston from the provisions of the Civil Service Act.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to exempting laborers in the service of cities from the provisions of the Civil Service Act (Mr. Sullivan, of the Senate, and Mr. Towne of Lynn, of the House, dissenting and recommending the passage of a substitute bill).

Exempting laborers in cities from the provisions of the Civil Service Act.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Cannell of Everett, from the committee on Street Railways, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the order relative to increasing the salaries of the Railroad Commissioners as compensation for additional services required in connection with the street railways of the Commonwealth, and recommending that the subject-matter thereof be referred to the committee on Railroads. Read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Salaries of the Railroad Commissioners.

Southampton.

By Mr. Bottum of Northampton, from the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill to confirm the proceedings of the last annual meeting of the town of Southampton.

Foreign manufacturing corporations.

By Mr. Colby of Boston, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill authorizing foreign manufacturing corporations to hold real estate in this Commonwealth.

Black duck in Plymouth Harbor or Bay.

By Mr. Dame of Methuen, from the committee on Fisheries and Game, on a petition, a Bill to regulate the shooting of black duck in Plymouth Harbor or Bay.

Intelligence offices.

By Mr. Quincy of Quincy, from the committee on Labor, on an order dated February 10, a petition dated February 8, and a Bill (on leave) relating to intelligence offices and women and girls sent to or detained in any place of ill repute, a Bill to punish the sending of women and girls to houses of ill-fame and their detention therein.

Liquor licenses.

By Mr. Rogers of Orleans, from the committee on the Liquor Law, on an order, a Bill relative to the conditions upon which licenses to sell intoxicating liquors may be granted.

Liquor license bonds.

By Mr. Haynes of Sturbridge, from the same committee, on an order (recommitted), a Bill relating to liquor license bonds.

Transmission and delivery of telegraphic messages.

By Mr. Brooks of Springfield, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on orders, a Bill to secure greater care in the transmission and delivery of telegraphic messages. (Messrs. Clark of Berkshire and Hampshire, Cook and Stevens, of the Senate, and Mr. Gile of Worcester, of the House, dissenting.)

First Congregational Society of Jamaica Plain.

By Mr. Colby of Boston, from the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, on a petition, a Bill to enable the First Congregational Society of Jamaica Plain to make such by-laws as it could make if organized under the general laws.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Salary of the Commissioners of Savings Banks.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill to establish the salary of the Commissioners of Savings Banks ought to pass.

Sewage disposal in the Mystic and Charles River Valleys.

By Mr. Hartwell of Ayer, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve providing for further investigations relative to sewage disposal in the Mystic and Charles River Valleys ought to pass.

By Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve to provide for electric lighting machinery, solitary cells and painting at the Reformatory Prison for Women ought to pass.

Electric lighting machinery, solitary cells and painting at the Reformatory Prison for Women.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, from the same committee, that the Resolve to provide for the purchase of printing materials and presses for the State Prison ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

Printing materials and presses for the State prison.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills:

Authorizing the county commissioners of Middlesex County to erect an addition to the registry of deeds building in Cambridge;

Bills enacted.

To amend an act to authorize James A. L'Amoureux to build and maintain a wing dam on the Connecticut River in the town of South Hadley; and

To provide for the removal of the remains of the dead from certain land situate in the town of Chicopee;
(Which severally originated in the House);

To incorporate the National Woman Suffrage Association of Massachusetts;

To establish the salary of the sheriff of Suffolk County; and

To enable the New England Historic, Genealogical Society to hold additional real and personal property;
(Which severally originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motions of Mr. Holman of Clinton, the report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of James F. Mullen and others, lot owners in the cemetery belonging to the Boston Catholic Cemetery Association, asking for legislation relating to the management of said association, was discharged from the orders of the day and was laid on the table.

Boston Catholic Cemetery Association.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
Day.

The report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of A. W. Preston and others relating to a city charter for the town of North Adams was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

Relative to notice and service of notice of petitions for the enforcement of liens on buildings and lands ;

To change the title and fix the salaries of certain subordinate officers at the State Prison ;

To amend section 95 of chapter 11 of the Public Statutes relating to the compensation of assessors ;

To authorize the county commissioners of the county of Essex to borrow money for the purpose of enlarging the court house at Salem ;

Fixing the time when final reports by auditors, masters in chancery and special masters shall be filed ;

To establish the salary of the district attorney for the Southeastern District and to provide for the appointment of a temporary assistant to the district attorney ;

To change the name of Commonwealth Safe Deposit and Trust Company ;

Concerning neglected children and juvenile offenders ; and the

Resolve granting an allowance for the erection of flank stones and the mounting of cannon to mark the positions of certain regiments and batteries of Massachusetts Volunteers on the battlefield of Gettysburg, Pennsylvania ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Relating to clerical assistance in the office of the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Suffolk ; and

To establish additional terms of the Superior Court for the county of Bristol ; and

Resolves :

In favor of the widow of the late Rowse R. Clarke ; and Granting county taxes ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the district police to enter and examine pawn-shops ; and the

Resolve in favor of Charles E. Fogerty ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill in relation to the employment of children was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. Mr. McEttrick of Boston moved to amend, in section 1, line 1, by striking out the word "thirteen" and substituting therefor the word "fourteen." On this amendment the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. McEttrick, and, the roll being called, the amendment was rejected, by a vote of 54 yeas to 142 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Brady, Peter J.
Breed, Arthur B.
Butler, William A.
Calnan, Patrick J.
Carman, William A.
Carney, Michael
Carroll, Peter T.
Clark, David H.
Collison, Harvey N.
Conroy, James
Cronin, James M.
Dame, Albert L.
Desmond, Jeremiah
Doherty, John
Dolan, Bernard
Driscoll, John
Dunlea, James J.
Finney, Elkanah
Flynn, Edward J.
Flynn, Thomas J.
Garity, Michael
Gibson, George W.
Griswold, Freeman C.
Hagerty, David J.
Hartwell, Benjamin H.
Hastings, William H.
Hayes, John E.

Messrs. Holbrook, John A.
Holman, Frank E.
Keane, Jeremiah J.
Kendall, Horace M.
Kennedy, Patrick J.
Lally, James, Jr.
Leach, William T.
Leary, Edward J.
McCarthy, Patrick
McCooey, Thomas
McDonough, John H.
McEnaney, Thomas O.
McEttrick, Michael J.
Monahan, William H.
O'Brien, Dennis J.
O'Mealey, John W.
O'Neil, John W.
Poore, William H.
Quinn, Andrew
Quinn, Dennis J.
Quinn, Philip H.
Sullivan, Michael F.
Sullivan, Thomas F.
Taft, Robert L.
Towne, Joseph L.
Walworth, Arthur C.
Wilkinson, John W.

NAYS.

Messrs. Adams, Charles E.
Allen, John J.
Allen, Montessor T.

Messrs. Armstrong, William O.
Atwood, Harrison H.
Babbitt, Rollin H.

Messrs. Backup, John

Barrett, William E.
 Bartlett, Joseph F.
 Bennett, Charles H.
 Berry, Francis T.
 Bixby, Charles C.
 Blake, Edwin H.
 Blume, Andreas
 Boardman, Francis
 Bottum, John B.
 Brewer, Edward W.
 Brigham, Arthur A.
 Brooks, A. Olin
 Brown, John F.
 Burnham, William Howe
 Call, Charles A.
 Cannell, Joseph H.
 Carey, William H.
 Champlin, Arthur B.
 Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.
 Church, Moses D.
 Clark, Henry.
 Close, George
 Colby, John F.
 Conant, Charles W.
 Conwell, David
 Coolidge, George H.
 Crowell, Joshua
 Cutler, Samuel
 Davis, Edmund A.
 Delano, John W.
 Dennis, George
 Dewey, Wilson
 Dexter, Solomon K.
 Eldridge, Albert R.
 Fales, Frank A.
 Ferry, William F.
 Fisher, Albert L.
 Fisk, Edward P.
 Floyd, David, 2d
 Fottler, Jacob
 Friend, Henry
 Frost, Henry,
 Gile, William A.
 Gleason, Joseph H.
 Gleason, Willard F.
 Goss, Charles
 Gray, Davis P.
 Greenwood, Morrill A.
 Grosvenor, Charles F.

Messrs. Gunn, Daniel

Hall, Frederick S.
 Haskell, Henry C.
 Hayes, Elihu B.
 Haynes, Henry D.
 Henry, Robert
 Hinchcliffe, William J.
 Hitchcock, Calvin
 Hixon William S.
 Hooper, George M.
 Hunt, George H.
 Jaques, Alden P.
 Kearn, George H.
 Kimball, Henry A.
 Kimball, John W.
 Knox, Charles H.
 Lothrop, J. Q. A.
 Lovell, Clarence P.
 Lyman, Payson W.
 Manning, Albert S.
 Manning, David, Jr.
 Martin, James P.
 Mellen, James H.
 Merrill, John F.
 Miller, Lyman M.
 Milliken, Daniel L.
 Milne, John C.
 Morey, George F.
 Parkman, Henry
 Pear, Isaac S.
 Peirson, Henry M.
 Perkins, Nathaniel R.
 Pierce, Charles Q.
 Pinkerton, Alfred S.
 Preble, William H.
 Provin, William
 Qua, Francis W.
 Quincy, Josiah
 Raymond, Francis H.
 Raymond, Samuel M.
 Richards, James H.
 Riddell, Henry
 Risteen, John C.
 Robinson, Ethan C.
 Robinson, J. Henry
 Rogers, Joseph W.
 Rogerson, Wm. B.
 Rounsevell, Arthur G.
 Russell, Alvin D.
 Russell, Irving L.

Messrs. Sanford, Alphens	Messrs. Tyler, Ansel P.
Sanger, Chester F.	Upham, Samuel O.
Seavey, Charles W.	Vanderhoop, Edwin D.
Shaw, Edward P.	Wadlin, Horace G.
Shepard, Charles F.	Wales, Abijah T.
Slocum, Winfield S.	Wardwell, J. Otis
Sohier, William D.	Waters, Franklin L.
Southwick, Benjamin F.	Wharton, William F.
Spring, Charles E.	Whitcher, James E.
Stimpson, Daniel P.	White, William L., Jr.
Story, Cyrus	Wiley, Albert L.
Symonds, Charles H.	Willis, Rufus H.
Temple, Albert H.	Winthrop, John
Thayer, Rufus A.	Witt, Charles T.
Thompson, A. Cranston	Woods, Frank F.
Thompson, Albert G.	Woodward, Charles F.
Tompkins, Isaac B.	Wright, Arthur
Trull, George W.	Wyman, Ferdinand A.

Yeas, 54 ; nays, 142.

On this question, Messrs. Coveney of Cambridge, James Donovan of Boston, Lyons of North Adams and Gagan of Boston, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired, respectively, with Messrs. Smith of Athol, Ware of Boston, McDonald of Great Barrington and Nelson of Lakeville.

The same gentleman moved certain other amendments to section four, which were adopted, as follows : —

In line 40, after the word “ read ” insert the word “ intelligently.”

In line 41, after the word “ sight ” insert the words “ in a grammar-school reader,” and

In line 41, strike out the word “ simple ” and substitute the word “ ordinary.”

Mr. Quincy of Quincy moved to strike out in section 4, lines 44, 45 and 46, the words, “ if a private school add ‘duly approved by vote of the school committee within one year of this date’ ”; and insert in the place thereof the words “ according to law,” which amendment was adopted. Certain other amendments moved by Mr. McEttrick and Mr. Morey of Lowell were rejected. After extended debate the bill was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill in relation to safe deposit, loan and trust companies was read a third time and considered. Pending

amendments moved by Messrs. Milne of Fall River, Wyman of Hyde Park and Gile of Worcester, and pending the main question on the engrossment of the bill, it was, on motion of Mr. Gile, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

The Bill to authorize the town of Winthrop to construct and maintain a system of sewerage was read a third time and considered. Amendments recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading were adopted. After debate, an amendment moved by Mr. Floyd of Winthrop was rejected, and the bill as amended was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

At five minutes before five o'clock, adjourned.

FRIDAY, April 13, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Committee of Conference.

The Speaker appointed Messrs. Backup of Boston, Ware of Boston and Bennett of Springfield, as the committee of conference on the part of the House on the matters of difference between the two branches on the Senate Bill to establish the salary of the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

Salary of the Secretary of the Commonwealth

Remonstrance Presented.

By Mr. Quincy of Quincy, remonstrance of George D. Robinson and others against the enactment of a law to exempt laborers in cities from the provisions of the civil service law. Placed on file.

Exemption of laborers in cities from provisions of the civil service law.

Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. Sohier of Beverly, was, at his request, laid over until Monday : —

Ordered, That in debate of all matters coming before the House speeches shall be limited to ten minutes each. This rule shall not be suspended except by a majority of the members present. If the rule is suspended it shall entitle the member speaking to an additional ten minutes, and no more, without the unanimous consent of the members present.

Limit of debate.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to regulating or limiting the connection of savings banks with national banks ;

Limiting the connection of savings banks with national banks.

Of the committee on Cities, no further legislation necessary, on the third annual report of the Board of Police of the city of Boston ;

Report of Board of Police of the city of Boston.

Of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 34 of chap-

Change of books in the public schools.

ter 44 of the Public Statutes relating to the change of books in the public schools of the Commonwealth, by striking out the words "notice of such change having been given at a previous meeting";

Returns of fees
by the deputy
sheriffs of Suf-
folk County.

Of the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring the deputy sheriffs of Suffolk County to make a sworn return of all fees received by them, annually, to the Secretary of State;

Salaries of
justices and
clerks of police
courts.

On an order relative to equalizing or re-establishing the salaries of the justices and clerks of the several police and district courts within the Commonwealth; and

Salaries of the
clerks in the
several depart-
ments in the
State House.

On an order relative to increasing the compensation of the clerks in the several departments in the State House whose salaries have not been increased since the year 1881; and

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court:

Compensation
of members of
the Legislature.

On the petition of William Perkins and others that the compensation of members of the Legislature shall be determined by the laws in force at the time of their election; and

Payment of
court officers of
Norfolk and
Plymouth
counties by
salary instead
of fees.

On an order relative to such legislation as shall provide for the payment of the court officers of Norfolk and Plymouth counties by salary instead of by fees;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Cooley Dickin-
son Hospital.

A Bill to amend the charter of the Cooley Dickinson Hospital (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Issue of sum-
monses in minor
offences.

A Bill relating to the issue of summonses in minor offences, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Sale of intoxi-
cating liquors
on Fast Day,
Thanksgiving
Day and
Christmas Day.

The House Bill to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquor on Fast Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day, passed to be engrossed by the House, came down from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments. Placed in the orders of the day for Monday, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendments.

Nasketucket
Cemetery
Association.

A petition of William M. Stetson and others for an act of incorporation as the Nasketucket Cemetery Association was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on

Mercantile Affairs, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Notice was received from the Senate that the House Bill relating to savings banks had been rejected by that branch. Savings banks.

Taken from the Table.

On motions of Mr. Symonds of Salem, the report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles A. DeCourcy, Assistant District Attorney for the Eastern District, for an increase of salary, was taken from the table, and was placed in the orders of the day and postponed for further consideration until Monday. Charles A. DeCourcy.

On motion of Mr. E. J. Donovan of Boston, the Bill to authorize the Board of Railroad Commissioners to hear and determine matters of difference between the selectmen of Wareham and the Onset Street Railway Company was taken from the table. Pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day. Board of Railroad Commissioners,—selectmen of Wareham and the Onset Street Railway Company.

On motion of Mr. Hayes of Lynn, the Resolve providing for an investigation of the pollution of ponds and streams from which ice is cut for domestic use was taken from the table. Pending the question on the rejection of the resolve, as recommended by the committee on Finance, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, recommitted to the committee on Public Health. Pollution of ponds and streams from which ice is cut.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Bottum of Northampton, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the rights and remedies of persons interested in estates at will. Estates at will.

By Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to titles to real estate acquired by sales on execution. Titles to real estate acquired by sales on execution.

By Mr. Peirson of Pittsfield, from the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to injury to certain trees. Injury to trees.

Motive power
on street
railways.

By Mr. Gunn of Boston, from the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation concerning the systems of motive power to be used on street railways.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Sanitary provisions in
factories and
workshops.

By Mr. Quincy of Quincy, from the committee on Labor, on an order, a Bill to amend chapter one hundred and three of the Acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, in relation to proper sanitary provisions in factories and workshops.

Imitation
butter.

By Mr. D. J. Quinn of Boston, from the committee on Public Health, on the report of the State Board of Health made in compliance with an order of the Legislature of 1887 upon the manufacture and sale of oleomargarine and butterine, their healthfulness as articles of food, and also the question whether they are sold in compliance with existing laws, a Bill to prevent deception in the manufacture and sale of butter.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Massachusetts
School for the
Feeble-Minded.

By Mr. Ferry of Springfield, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills:

Bills enacted.

Requiring the cities of Boston and Cambridge and the Boston and Albany Railroad Company to widen the draws in certain bridges across Charles River (which originated in the House); and

To enable the city of Lynn, for the purpose of providing a new high school building, to incur indebtedness beyond the limit fixed by law (which originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
Day.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to prohibiting persons not members of the bar from representing themselves as such, was accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Agriculture, leave to withdraw, on the petition of James R. Adams for reimbursement of expenses in case of hog-cholera among his swine ; and

Of the committee on Education, no legislation necessary, on the report of the State Board of Education upon the revision of the statutory list of studies required to be taught in the public schools ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To amend section 1 of chapter 305 of the Acts of the year 1886, concerning the punishment for rape ;

To punish the sending of women and girls to houses of ill-fame and their detention therein ;

Relative to the conditions upon which licenses to sell intoxicating liquors may be granted :

To regulate the shooting of black duck in Plymouth Harbor or Bay ;

To enable the First Congregational Society of Jamaica Plain to make such by-laws as it could make if organized under the general laws ;

To confirm the proceedings of the last annual meeting of the town of Southampton ; and

To amend an act to improve the civil service of the Commonwealth and the cities thereof ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To authorize the purchase of additional land for the Reformatory Prison for Women ;

To authorize the county commissioners of the county of Essex to borrow money for the purpose of enlarging the court house at Salem ; and

Fixing the time when final reports by auditors, masters in chancery and special masters shall be filed ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the Providence and Worcester Railroad Company to increase its capital stock ;

To establish the salary of the district attorney for the Southeastern District and to provide for the appointment of a temporary assistant to the district attorney ; and

Concerning neglected children and juvenile offenders; and the

Resolve granting an allowance for the erection of flank-stones and the mounting of cannon to mark the positions of certain regiments and batteries of Massachusetts Volunteers on the battlefield of Gettysburg, Pennsylvania;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to change the title and fix the salaries of certain subordinate officers at the State Prison was read a third time, amended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, by the substitution of a "Bill in relation to the officers of the State Prison at Boston," and was passed to be engrossed, as amended, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the Boston and Maine Railroad to purchase the franchises and property of the Eastern Railroad Company, and the Eastern Railroad in New Hampshire, and the Portsmouth, Great Falls and Conway Railroad, was read a third time, amended as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in said amendments and amendments previously adopted by the House.

The report of the committee on Military Affairs, no legislation necessary, on the report (recommitted) of the Auditor on the order of the Legislature of last year as to whether the Commonwealth has been reimbursed by the United States for clothing furnished on June 11, 1861, to members of the Ninth Regiment Massachusetts Volunteers, was further considered. Mr. E. J. Donovan of Boston moved to amend by the substitution of a Resolve in favor of certain former members of the Ninth Regiment Massachusetts Infantry Volunteers, which, after debate, was rejected by a vote of 43 to 81, and the report was accepted, in concurrence.

The Bill in relation to safe deposit, loan and trust companies was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. After debate, certain amendments, moved by Messrs. Milne of Fall River and Wharton of Boston, were adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to include the town of Rockport within the judicial district of the police court of Gloucester was read a third time and considered. After debate, an amendment, moved by Mr. Story of Gloucester, was rejected by a vote of 48 to 58, and the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

At twelve minutes before three o'clock, adjourned, the House having previously voted to suspend the order relative to recess at a quarter before one o'clock, on motion of Mr. Collison of Boston.

MONDAY, April 16, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports Received.

Annual Report
of the
Commissioners
of Prisons, —
jails and
houses of
correction.

The portion of the Seventeenth Annual Report of the Commissioners of Prisons relating to jails and houses of correction was received, and was referred to the committee on Prisons and sent up for concurrence.

Pegan or
Dudley Indians.

A report was received from the Treasurer and Receiver-General in accordance with the order adopted by the House, instructing the Treasurer to ascertain whether the provisions of sundry resolves of the General Court relating to the Pegan or Dudley Indians and the Commonwealth have been complied with. Referred to the committee on Finance.

Petitions Presented.

Haverhill City
Hospital.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, petition of George H. Carleton and others, present and former trustees of the Haverhill City Hospital, for an act of incorporation. Referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Milton water
supply.

By Mr. Blume of Boston, petitions of J. Walter Bradlee and 108 others; of H. E. Sheldon and 30 others; and of W. L. P. Boardman and 75 others, — severally, in aid of petitions of O. A. Peabody and others and E. P. Whitney and others to be incorporated as water companies to supply the town of Milton with water.

Severally referred to the committee on Water Supply. Severally sent up for concurrence.

Orders.

The following order, offered by Mr. Dame of Methuen, was adopted under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence: —

Fishing in
certain ponds.

Ordered, That the committee on Fisheries and Game consider the expediency of amending chapter 91 of the Public Statutes so far as it relates to fishing in certain ponds.

The following order, laid over from Friday, was adopted:—

Ordered, That in debate of all matters coming before the House speeches shall be limited to ten minutes each. This rule shall not be suspended except by a majority of the members present. If the rule is suspended it shall entitle the member speaking to an additional ten minutes, and no more, without the unanimous consent of the members present.

Limit of debate.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on the Liquor Law, no legislation necessary, on the abstract of returns received from the several cities and towns by the Secretary of the Commonwealth, November, 1887, under the requirements of section 5, chapter 100, Public Statutes, showing the number of licenses issued for the sale of intoxicating liquors, etc., accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Manning of Worcester.

Abstract of returns received by the Secretary of the Commonwealth of the number of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors.

Bills:

In relation to the station of the New Haven and Northampton Railroad Company in Whately, called Whately Station (reported on a petition);

New Haven and Northampton Railroad Company.

To extend the time for building the Horace Mann schoolhouse (reported on a petition); and

Horace Mann School for the Deaf.

To authorize the Boston, Winthrop and Shore Railroad Company to relocate portions of its railroad in the town of Winthrop (reported on a petition);

Boston, Winthrop and Shore Railroad Company, — town of Winthrop.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Wharton of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so far amending chapter 207 of the Public Statutes, and particularly sections 29, 30, 36 and 42 thereof, as will establish a maximum and a minimum sentence for such offences as are therein described.

Vagrants.

By Mr. Brigham of Marlborough, from the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing by law for the incorporation of State, County and Subordinate Granges.

State, county and subordinate granges.

**Agricultural
experiment
stations.**

By Mr. Shepard of Westfield, from the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation providing for the disposal of the money appropriated by the United States for the support of agricultural experiment stations in this Commonwealth, and relative to the board of management of the Massachusetts Agricultural Experiment Station.

**Holyoke, —
tenure of office
of its police
force.**

By Mr. Parkman of Boston, from the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, for the reason that the petition is only from one branch of the city government, on the petition of the mayor of Holyoke that the charter of said city be so amended that its police shall hold office during good behavior.

**Tenure of office
of the police
force of the city
of Salem.**

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, for the reason that the petition is only from one branch of the city government, on the petition of the mayor and board of aldermen of Salem that authority be granted so that members of the regular police force of said city may hold office during good behavior, subject to removal by the board of aldermen.

**Board of public
works in
Boston.**

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to establishing a board of public works for the city of Boston.

**Tenure of office
of the police
force in the city
of Lynn.**

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, reference to next General Court, on petitions of the city of Lynn for authority to make the tenure of office of the police of said city permanent, and that any act therefor be submitted to the people.

**Hours of labor
on street rail-
ways in cities
of 100,000
inhabitants.**

By Mr. Russell of Somerville, from the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of Herbert N. Gammons and others for legislation restricting the hours of labor to ten in twelve on street railways in cities containing 100,000 inhabitants. [Mr. Howard, of the Senate, and Messrs. Mellen of Worcester, Keane of Holyoke and Quincy of Quincy, of the House, dissenting.]

**Employment of
labor by street
railway com-
panies.**

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order (recommitted) relative to regulating the employment of labor by street railway companies in the various cities and towns of the Commonwealth.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

**Hours of labor
of employees in
cities and towns.**

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, from the committee on Labor, on petitions, a Bill to authorize cities and

towns to fix the number of hours of labor of their employees.

By Mr. Morton of West Boylston, from the committee on Roads and Bridges, on a petition, a Bill to provide for the widening of the draws in the two bridges across Neponset River, known as the Neponset Avenue and Granite Avenue bridges.

Neponset Avenue and Granite Avenue bridges.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.

Engrossed bills:

To incorporate the Charlemont Rural Club;

Bills enacted.

Relating to the taking of scallops in the waters adjacent to the town of Nantucket;

To incorporate the trustees of the City Library of Lowell;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the police court of Gloucester;

To establish the salary of the clerk of the Second District Court of Eastern Middlesex; and

To establish the salary of the justice of the police court of Gloucester;

(Which severally originated in the House); and

To amend an act to supply the town of Marblehead with water; and

To confirm the doings of the Trinitarian Church in New Bedford, and to authorize it to hold additional real and personal estate;

(Which severally originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

An engrossed Resolve in favor of the widow of the late John William Bacon (which originated in the Senate) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motions of Mr. James Donovan of Boston, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to such legislation as will permit the opening of barber shops within reasonable hours on the Lord's day, and a petition relative to the subject, was discharged from the orders of the day, and was laid on the table.

Opening of barber shops on the Lord's day.

Report of the
Board of Police
of the city of
Boston.

On motions of Mr. Collison of Boston, the report of the committee on Cities, no further legislation necessary, on the third annual report of the Board of Police of the city of Boston, was discharged from the orders of the day and was laid on the table.

Orders of the Day.

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Day.

Reports of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to titles to real estate acquired by sales on execution ; and

On an order relative to the rights and remedies to persons interested in estates at will ;

Were severally accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to injury to certain trees ; and

Of the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation concerning the systems of motive power to be used on street railways ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 34 of chapter 44 of the Public Statutes relating to the change of books in the public schools of the Commonwealth, by striking out the words " notice of such change having been given at a previous meeting " ;

(Of the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to requiring the deputy sheriffs of Suffolk County to make a sworn return of all fees received by them, annually, to the Secretary of State ; and

On an order relative to increasing the compensation of the clerks in the several departments in the State House whose salaries have not been increased since the year 1881 ; and

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court :

On the petition of William Perkins and others that the compensation of members of the Legislature shall be determined by the laws in force at the time of their election ; and

On an order relative to such legislation as shall provide for the payment of the court officers of Norfolk and Plymouth counties by salary instead of by fees ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

Relating to the salaries of clerks of courts and the payment of fees in the Superior Court and the Supreme Judicial Court (amended as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary) ;

Relating to liquor license bonds ;

Authorizing foreign manufacturing corporations to hold real estate in this Commonwealth ;

To secure greater care in the transmission and delivery of telegraphic messages ;

To amend chapter 103 of the Acts of the year 1887 in relation to proper sanitary provisions in factories and workshops ;

To amend the charter of the Cooley Dickinson Hospital ; and

Resolves :

To provide for electric lighting machinery, solitary cells and painting at the Reformatory Prison for Women ; and

Providing for further investigations relative to sewage disposal in the Mystic and Charles River valleys ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Relative to notice and service of notice of petitions for the enforcement of liens on buildings and land ;

To amend section one of chapter three hundred and five of the Acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-six concerning the punishment for rape ;

To regulate the shooting of black duck in Plymouth Harbor or Bay ;

To enable the First Congregational Society of Jamaica Plain to make such by-laws as it could make if organized under the general laws ; and

To confirm the proceedings of the last annual meeting of the town of Southampton ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills:

To change the name of Commonwealth Safe Deposit and Trust Company; and

To amend an act to improve the civil service of the Commonwealth and the cities thereof;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to incorporate the Middlesex Land Company in the county of Middlesex was read a third time, and, pending the question on engrossment, it was, on motion of Mr. Russell of Somerville, laid on the table.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the retail sale of tobacco, cigars and articles of food on the Lord's day, was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Collison of Boston.

The report of the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to exempting laborers in the service of cities from the provisions of the Civil Service Act; and the

Report of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor of the city of Boston for an amendment of the Civil Service law so as to exempt from its general provisions the common laborers of the departments of the said city;

Were severally postponed for consideration until next Thursday, on motions of Mr. Towne of Lynn.

The Bill to establish the salary of the Commissioners of Savings Banks was read a second time, and, after debate, was refused a third reading by a vote of 70 to 94.

The Resolve to provide for the purchase of printing materials and presses for the State Prison was further considered. Its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Finance, was negatived, and the resolve was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The Bill to amend section 95 of chapter 11 of the Public Statutes relating to the compensation of assessors was read a third time, and, after debate, was indefinitely postponed, on motion of Mr. Symonds of Salem.

The report of the committee on Banks and Banking, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to regulating

or limiting the connection of savings banks with national banks, was postponed until Wednesday, April 18, on motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester.

The report of the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to equalizing or re-establishing the salaries of the justices and clerks of the several police and district courts within the Commonwealth, was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly.

The report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles A. DeCourcy, Assistant District Attorney for the Eastern District, for an increase of salary, was postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Symonds of Salem.

The Bill to prevent deception in the manufacture and sale of butter was read a second time and considered. Mr. Sanger of Cambridge moved to amend in section 1, lines 5, 6, 7 and 8, by striking out the words "made wholly or partly out of any fat, oil or oleaginous substance, or compound thereof, not produced from unadulterated milk or cream from the same." Mr. Quincy of Quincy raised the point of order that the amendment, if adopted, would make the bill broader than the basis of the legislation. Pending the amendment and question of order, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Quincy, postponed for further consideration until next Wednesday.

The Bill to punish the sending of women and girls to houses of ill-fame and their detention therein was read a third time and considered. Pending amendments, moved by Mr. Mellen of Worcester, and pending the main question on the engrossment of the bill, it was, on motion of Mr. Symonds of Salem, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

The Bill relative to the conditions upon which licenses to sell intoxicating liquors may be granted was read a third time, amended, as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, by the substitution of a bill with the same title, and, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The House concurred with the Senate in its amendments to the Bill to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquor on Fast Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

At twenty-four minutes before five o'clock, adjourned.

TUESDAY, April 17, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report Received.

A report of the joint special committee of the General Armories.
Court of 1887 on armories for the use of the militia was
received, and was referred to the committee on Military
Affairs and sent up for concurrence.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Quincy of Quincy, petition of John M. Eames Australian
system of
voting.
and others in favor of the Australian system of voting, so
that ballots may be printed at the public expense and
distributed by a public officer. Referred to the com-
mittee on Election Laws.

By Mr. Russell of Maynard, remonstrance of Amory Maynard.
Maynard and others against the introduction of water
works in the town of Maynard. Referred to the com-
mittee on Water Supply.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to with- Salaries of the
officers of the
Municipal Court
of the city of
Boston.
draw, on the petition of Samuel Brackett and others for
an increase of the salaries of the officers of the Municipal
Court in the city of Boston ;

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, Report of the
Board of
Lunacy and
Charity, — in-
ebriate asylum.
reference to the next General Court, on so much of the
Ninth Annual Report of the Board of Lunacy and Charity
as relates to an inebriate asylum ; and

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an Support of
paupers in the
State lunatic
hospitals.
order relative to so amending sections 31 and 33 of
chapter 87 of the Public Statutes as to restore the provi-
sions of law relative to the support of paupers in the State
lunatic hospitals in force prior to the 31st day of January,
1882 ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read
and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills :

Costs on search-warrants under the liquor laws.
Fresh Pond in Cambridge.

Relating to costs on search-warrants issued under the liquor laws (reported on an order) ;

To confirm the taking of land around Fresh Pond in Cambridge (reported on a petition) ;

Stoughton Fire District.

To enlarge the powers of the Stoughton Fire District (reported on a petition) ; and

Catching of trout and salmon in Berkshire County.

To limit the time within which trout, land-locked salmon and lake trout may be taken in Berkshire County (reported on a petition, in part) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Reports of Committees.

Clerks of police and district courts.

By Mr. Grosvenor of Ludlow, from the committee on Public Service, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to granting to clerks of police and district courts compensation for absence not exceeding thirty days in any one year, at a rate per day equal to the respective salaries of said clerks.

Annexation of a part of the town of Stoneham to the town of Wakefield.

By Mr. Coveney of Cambridge, from the committee on Towns, reference to the next General Court, on petitions of William Montgomery and others for the annexation of a part of the town of Stoneham to the town of Wakefield. [Mr. Champlin of Chelsea, of the House, dissenting.]

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Employment of miners and women.

By Mr. Manning of Andover, from the committee on Labor, on petitions and a Bill (recommitted) to further amend section 4 of chapter 74 of the Public Statutes in relation to the employment of minors and women, a Bill in relation to the employment of minors and women in mercantile establishments. [Mr. Howard, of the Senate, and Messrs. Mellen of Worcester, Keane of Holyoke and Quincy of Quincy, of the House, dissenting and recommending the substitution of a bill.]

Intoxicating liquors, — common nuisances.

By Mr. Manning of Worcester, from the committee on the Liquor Law, on an order, a Bill providing that violations of the provisions of chapters 100 and 101 of the Public Statutes shall be similar offences.

Intoxicating liquors.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill relating to the penalty for violation of the provisions of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes relating to intoxicating liquors.

By Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, from the committee on Roads and Bridges, on a petition, a Bill to provide for rebuilding the bridge across the Connecticut River between Holyoke and South Hadley.

Bridge across the Connecticut River between Holyoke and South Hadley.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Lyman of Belchertown, from the committee on Education, on the annual report of the State Board of Education, in part, a Resolve providing for a new school building and for repairing and enlarging Crocker Hall at the State Normal School at Framingham.

New school building at Framingham.

By Mr. Gunn of Boston, from the committee on Printing, on an order, a Resolve providing for the publication of a new edition of the statutes relating to public schools.

New edition of the statutes relating to public schools.

By Mr. Frost of Boston, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on the annual report of the trustees of the State Farm at Bridgewater, a Resolve relative to the erection of buildings for criminal insane men at the State Farm at Bridgewater, and for other purposes.

State Farm at Bridgewater.

By Mr. Hagerty of Boston, from the same committee, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of the New England Industrial School for Deaf-Mutes.

New England Industrial School for Deaf-Mutes.

By Mr. Dame of Newbury, from the committee on Roads and Bridges, on an order, a Bill providing for the appointment of three commissioners to inquire into the maintenance of drawbridges over the Charles River.

Drawbridges over the Charles River.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

By Mr. Manning of Worcester, from the committee on the Liquor Law, that the Bill (recommitted) to exclude from juries in the trial of cases arising under the liquor laws all persons engaged in the manufacture or sale of intoxicating liquors ought to pass with certain amendments. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the main question being on ordering the bill to a third reading.

Exclusion of liquor dealers from juries in the trials of cases arising under the liquor laws.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motions of Mr. Lovell of Boston, the report of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to a Board of Public Works for the city of Boston, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Board of Public Works for the city of Boston.

Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

To provide for the free instruction of deaf-mutes or deaf children ;

To establish the salary of the sheriff of the county of Worcester ;

To amend an act to promote safety at railroad grade crossings ; and

To confirm the proceedings of the town of Ware at the annual State election in the year 1886, and certain proceedings of a certain town meeting ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To incorporate the Riverside Water Company ; and

To authorize the district police to enter and examine pawn shops ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed.

An engrossed Resolve in favor of Charles E. Fogerty (which originated in the Senate) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Agriculture, inexpedient to legislate :

Orders of the Day.

On an order relative to legislation providing for the disposal of the money appropriated by the United States for the support of agricultural experiment stations in this Commonwealth ; also concerning the board of government and the management of the Massachusetts Agricultural Experiment Station ;

On an order relative to providing by law for the incorporation of State, county and subordinate granges ; and

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw (for the reason that the petition is only from one branch of the city government in each case) :

On the petition of the mayor of Holyoke that the charter of said city may be so amended that its police shall hold office during good behavior ; and

On the petition of the mayor and board of aldermen of Salem that authority be granted so that members of the

regular police force of said city may hold office during good behavior, subject to removal by the board of aldermen ;

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on petitions of the city of Lynn for authority to make the tenure of office of the police of said city permanent, and that any act therefor be submitted to the people ; and

Of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order (recommitted) relative to regulating the employment of labor by street railway companies in the various cities and towns of the Commonwealth ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To provide for the widening of the draws in the two bridges across the Neponset River, known as the Neponset Avenue and Granite Avenue bridges ;

To authorize cities and towns to fix the number of hours of labor of their employees ;

To extend the time for building the Horace Mann school-house ;

In relation to the station of the New Haven and Northampton Railroad Company in Whately, called Whately Station ; and

To authorize the Boston, Winthrop and Shore Railroad Company to relocate portions of its railroad in the town of Winthrop ; and the

Resolve to provide for the purchase of printing materials and presses for the State Prison ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill authorizing foreign manufacturing corporations to hold real estate in this Commonwealth was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Resolves :

To provide for electric lighting machinery, solitary cells and painting at the Reformatory Prison for Women ; and

Providing for further investigations relative to sewage disposal in the Mystic and Charles River Valleys ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles A. DeCourcy,

Assistant District Attorney for the Eastern District, for an increase of salary, was further considered. Mr. Symonds of Salem moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to establish the salary of the Assistant District Attorney for the Eastern District," which was adopted, and the bill, having been read, was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The Bill to punish the sending of women and girls to houses of ill-fame and their detention therein was, pending the amendments moved by Mr. Mellen of Worcester, and pending the question on engrossment, laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so far amending chapter 207 of the Public Statutes, and particularly sections 29, 30, 36 and 42 thereof, as will establish a maximum and minimum sentence for such offences as are therein described, was, on motion of Mr. Symonds of Salem, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

The report of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on petitions of Herbert N. Gammons and others for legislation restricting the hours of labor to 10 in 12 on street railways in cities containing 100,000 inhabitants, was, on motion of Mr. Quincy of Quincy, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

Point of order.

The Bill to secure greater care in the transmission and delivery of telegraphic messages was read a third time and considered. Mr. Barrett of Melrose moved to amend by adding a new section, as follows: "*Section 2.* Section 3 of chapter 380 of the Acts of 1885 is hereby amended by striking out all after the word 'thereto' and substituting therefor the words 'but this exemption shall not apply to any town of more than 4,000 inhabitants, if there is but one public telegraph station in such town.'" Mr. Griswold of Greenfield raised the point of order that the amendment was broader than the scope of the subject-matter of the order on which the bill was reported, and therefore not in order. The Speaker declared the point not well taken. The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence, its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading so that it

read " Bill to amend an act to secure greater care in the transmission of telegraphic messages."

The Bill relating to the salaries of the clerks of courts and the payment of fees in the Superior Court and the Supreme Judicial Court was read a third time, amended as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment and the amendments previously adopted by the House.

At twenty-seven minutes past one o'clock, adjourned, the House having previously voted to suspend the rule relating to recess, on motion of Mr. Hall of Taunton.

WEDNESDAY, April 18, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Report Received.

Report of the
Secretary of the
Mass. Board of
Agriculture.

The annual report of the Secretary of the Massachusetts Board of Agriculture was received and was referred to the committee on Agriculture and sent up for concurrence.

Petition Presented.

Shepard
Thayer.

By Mr. Kearns of North Adams, petition of Shepard Thayer for confirmation of certain acts done by him as notary public. Referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence.

Taken from the Table.

Limit of num-
ber of places
licensed for the
sale of intoxicat-
ing liquors.

On motion of Mr. Parkman of Boston, the Bill to limit the number of places licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors was taken from the table. On the pending question of order raised by Mr. Flynn of Boston, to wit, that the bill is improperly before the House, the subject having been finally disposed of by the acceptance of the report of the committee on the Liquor Law, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's Address as relates to the subject of the liquor traffic, the Speaker ruled as follows:—

Among the matters referred to the committee on the Liquor Law are the following:

First. So much of the Governor's Address as relates to the liquor traffic, referred under an order reported by the committee on Rules, January 9.

The subjects embraced in this portion of the Executive Message are:

1. Limiting the number of licensed places in cities and towns voting in favor of authorizing the sale of intoxicating liquor.

2. Increasing the tax imposed upon such places.

3. Payment into the State Treasury of the sums thus received.

4. Restricting licenses to legal voters in the city or town in which their business is to be pursued.

Second. The order adopted January 18, instructing the committee to consider the expediency of limiting by law the number of places where licenses may be granted to sell intoxicating liquor in towns and cities voting in favor of such licenses.

Third. The order adopted January 19, instructing them to inquire into the expediency of so amending the law as to reduce the number of places where intoxicating liquors may be sold in towns and cities voting "Yes" to one for each five hundred inhabitants.

Fourth. The order adopted January 26, relative to providing that the minimum fees for license to sell intoxicating liquor shall not be less than the maximum fee now allowed by law; and

Fifth. The order adopted January 30, instructing them to consider the expediency of limiting the number of places where intoxicating liquors may be sold in towns and cities voting "Yes" to one to each one thousand inhabitants.

On March 20 the committee made a majority and minority report upon the orders of January 19 and January 30, relating to limiting the number of licensed places, the former reporting House No. 271, and the latter recommending House No. 273 as a substitute therefor.

Acting upon this report April 4, the House substituted for No. 271, No. 273, the bill now under consideration.

On March 29 the committee reported on so much of the Governor's Message as had been referred to them, that no legislation is necessary thereon. This latter report was accepted by the House March 30 and by the Senate April 6.

House Bill No. 273, having been thus substituted for the majority bill, is still pending, the question being on its engrossment.

Mr. Flynn of Boston raises the point of order that further action of the House on the bill is precluded by the concurrent acceptance of the report of March 29, no legislation necessary on the Governor's Message.

What, then, is the meaning and effect of that report and of its acceptance by the two branches?

Parliamentary bodies establishing rules and orders for the regulation of their business wisely limit the time within which matters may be considered, and provide that, when finally disposed of, a subject shall not be renewed at the same session. The reason and importance of such rules are obvious. Mr. Speaker Jewell, in alluding to this subject, well says (H. J., 1870, p. 480) : " It is a maxim of jurisprudence that it is for the public advantage that strifes should come to an end. It is equally for the public interest that contentions in what our fathers called the Great and General Court should be settled once for all. Many persons have a deep interest in the matters heard before committees. They appear in person or by counsel, and, when the subject is by report of the committee brought before the Legislature, they appear here to influence the action of members, as they have the right to do. When the matter is once disposed of they depart, and suppose they may do so in safety. They have a right to believe their interests no longer require their presence." None the less the public at large have the right to rely upon the final settlement of questions of moment, and to feel secure therein. So much is necessary for the repose of society.

In accordance with such a principle, House Rule, No. 48, provides that

" When a bill, order, petition, memorial or remonstrance has been finally rejected, no measure substantially the same shall be *introduced* by any committee or member during the same session."

The rule has been interpreted by several of the eminent parliamentarians who have occupied this chair ; by Mr. Speaker Phelps (H. 1856, p. 68³), who permitted a memorial to be considered although it related to a subject-matter embraced in a petition upon which an adverse report had been accepted by the House, and his decision on appeal was sustained ; by Mr. Speaker Sanford (H. 1874, p. 349), who ruled that after an adverse report of the committee on the Judiciary on a certain subject-matter had been accepted, the committee on Education could not report a bill containing the same subject-matter as one of its sections ; by Mr. Speaker Long (H. 1877, p. 424), who ruled that a bill coming from the Senate and referred to a committee of the House, although it related to a subject before acted upon by the House, could be reported back to the House and considered ; and by Mr. Speaker

Marden, who, in 1883 (H. J., p. 819), ruled that a bill which had been rejected by the House under the objections of the Governor's veto could not be subsequently moved as an amendment to a bill pending in the House; and in 1884 (H. J., p. 555), that where the report of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order instructing the committee to consider the expediency of amending or changing the statute laws of the Commonwealth in reference to the sale of intoxicating liquors has been accepted by both branches, that committee could not subsequently report a bill providing that persons licensed to sell liquors should be legal voters of the town or city wherein the license was granted.

In no instance, therefore, as far as the Chair can discover after a most thorough search, has the principle been applied to a measure introduced before, and pending at the time of, the acceptance of the report claimed to be a bar, as in the case in question; and the Chair is of opinion that it cannot be so applied.

All rules are to be construed reasonably and in view of all the attending circumstances which affect the question involved.

What, then, is the parliamentary meaning and significance of the report of March 29, and its acceptance by the Legislature?

Does the committee thereby say that *without* any amendment of existing laws relating to the subjects embraced in that portion of the Executive Message referred to it, it reports no legislation is necessary; or does it say rather that *in addition* to the measures it has already recommended, and which were then pending for the consideration and action of the Legislature, no legislation is necessary? It must, to any reasonable mind, be evident, under all the circumstances, what its intent and purpose is. It is the ordinary and proper course for a committee, to whom in various ways subjects for legislative action have been referred, after reporting specifically upon the propositions submitted to them, to report generally that no legislation, or no further legislation, is expedient or necessary. Take another view of it. Having reported upon orders of inquiry in relation to the various subjects contemplated in the Governor's Message touching the liquor traffic, the committee could only report as it did upon the message in question. It would have no right to retain this until action had been had on the measures

founded upon the orders and then report anew similar subjects of legislation, or measures substantially the same. Mr. Speaker Jewell, in his ruling before quoted, very pertinently to this point says : —

“ The Chair is clearly of opinion that the true rule is that where a committee has referred to it several petitions on the same subject, or various papers involving either directly or remotely the same subject, whether simply or connected with other things (as in the present case of these various orders and the Governor’s Message) ; when the committee has once considered and reported upon any one subject involved in them, they have entirely exhausted their authority over that subject. After such report has once been made, the subject passes beyond their control and becomes the property of the House.

“ Any papers left in their hands which may directly involve the same subject, must be treated as if that question was not in them. It seems to the chair not to be within the power of a committee to withhold mention of any particular petition, report or *other paper*, and thus retain possession of a subject once reported upon as a basis of a new action and a new report.”

Had the committee reported on the Governor’s Message, embracing as it does these several suggestions of needed legislation, that no legislation is necessary, silently holding meanwhile the various orders touching the same subjects, and had the Legislature accepted such a report, it would not be competent for that committee to report on the orders measures proposing such legislation ; but having reported the legislation contemplated in the Governor’s suggestions on the orders before them, their subsequent report thereon can only be held to mean that they have no further recommendations to make touching these subjects than those already made ; and that, therefore, having exhausted these subjects in the measures already reported and then pending before the House for its consideration, they now deem no further legislation necessary. Indeed, the Governor’s Message, so far as it related to the subject-matter reported on, is practically comprehended in the former reports, and might well have been formally embraced therein, and thus have obviated the necessity of any further report thereon. It seems idle to regard the reports in any other light.

How, then, is the acceptance of the report of March 29 to be regarded ? Can it enlarge or change the effect of

the report, or attach to it a different meaning or character than the fair and obvious one?

Here, too, the application of the rule must be tested in a reasonable and sensible manner and in view of the precise situation. To say that a report of a committee is to be deemed to have been accepted in a sense or manner contrary to the one in which it is made, is to stultify legislative proceedings. The Chair cannot believe that the committee on the Liquor Law intended to place itself in the ridiculous attitude of recommending to the Legislature specific changes in the existing law, and then saying that no legislation in these particulars is necessary; and the Chair is equally unable to believe that the Legislature in accepting the report in question intended to preclude itself from action upon the recommendations already before it. In the opinion of the Chair, Rule 48 is only intended to prevent the re-introduction of a subject-matter that has previously been finally determined at the same session, and does not apply to measures already introduced and pending for further action.

While the Chair is of opinion that it would be a better practice for committees to delay general or final reports until all matters which would be held to be embraced therein have been finally acted upon by the two branches, still the Chair rules that such a report, made subsequently to the measures sought to be controlled thereby, and accepted by the Legislature, is not a bar to the further consideration of the measures so previously reported and pending, and that the phraseology of Rule 48, in its application to the introduction of subjects proposing legislation, does not apply in this case.

The bill under consideration is, therefore, properly before the House.

Pending the question on the engrossment of the bill, it was, on further motion of Mr. Parkman, placed in the orders of the day and postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Barrett of Melrose, the Bill to amend chapter 276 of the Acts of the year 1886, being an act for the better preservation of birds and game, was taken from the table. Pending an amendment moved by Mr. Barrett, and pending the main question on engrossment, it was placed in the orders of the day and post-

Preservation of
birds and game.

poned for further consideration until to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester.

Boston Catholic
Cemetery
Association.

On motions of Mr. Holman of Clinton, the report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of James F. Mullen and others, lot owners in the cemetery belonging to the Boston Catholic Cemetery Association, asking for legislation relating to the management of said association, was taken from the table and was placed in the orders of the day and postponed for further consideration until Friday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Vaccination.

On motion of Mr. Wilkinson of Cambridge, the Bill relating to vaccination was taken from the table. Pending amendments moved by Mr. Milliken of Malden, and pending the main question on the engrossment of the bill, it was placed in the orders of the day and postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

Papers from the Senate.

Bills :

Running of the
cars of one
street railway
over the tracks
of another.
Boston Heating
Company.

To regulate the running of the cars of one street railway company over the tracks of another (reported on an order) ;

To authorize the Boston Heating Company to increase its capital stock (reported on a petition). [Mr. Atwood of Braintree, of the House, dissenting] ;

Sale of commercial
fertilizers.

To regulate the sale of commercial fertilizers (reported on an order) ;

Pilotage of vessels
in and out
of Wood's Holl.

Concerning the fees for the pilotage of vessels in and out of Wood's Holl Harbor (reported on an order) ;

Commissioner
of the new
bridge between
Boston and
Cambridge.

Providing for the compensation of the commissioner of the new bridge between the cities of Boston and Cambridge, who will be appointed by the mayors of said cities (reported on a petition) ; and

Seizure and
disposition of
implements and
furniture used
in illegal selling
of intoxicating
liquors.

Relating to the seizure and disposition of implements and furniture used in the illegal keeping or selling of intoxicating liquors (reported on an order) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Salaries of the
justices of the
Supreme Judicial
and Superior
Courts.

A Bill to establish the salaries of the justices of the Supreme Judicial Court, and of the justices of the Superior Court (substituted for a House bill with the

same title), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and, under a suspension of Rule 42, was ordered to a second reading.

Notice was received from the Senate that the House Bill relating to the publication of notices of sale by mortgagees of real estate had been referred by that branch to the next General Court.

Publication of notices of sale by mortgagees of real estate.

Petitions of the selectmen of West Springfield and Agawam, and the selectmen of Chicopee, — severally, in aid of the petition of the Hartford and Connecticut Western Railroad Company for authority to construct a railroad from the State line between Connecticut and Massachusetts to Springfield, a distance of six miles, were severally referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Railroads.

Hartford and Connecticut Western Railroad Company.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Smith of Athol, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to giving any town the right to choose a committee to have the care of trees upon its streets, squares and parks.

Care of trees in towns.

By Mr. Hooper of Bridgewater, from the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing for the attendance at evening schools of minors between the ages of fourteen and eighteen who have not completed what is understood as a grammar-school education.

Attendance of minors at evening schools.

By Mr. Haggerty of Southbridge, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the laws relating to the education of illiterate minors.

Illiterate minors.

By Mr. Wilde of Malden, from the same committee, no legislation necessary, on the report of the State Board of Education on the subject of evening schools.

Report of the State Board of Education on evening schools.

By Mr. Driscoll of Lynn, from the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order (recommitted) relative to legislation providing that no person shall become surety on more than three bonds for persons licensed to sell intoxicating liquors for the same term.

Sureties on liquor license bonds.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order (recommitted) relative

Sureties on liquor license bonds.

to providing that no person engaged in the liquor traffic, or having a business in said traffic, shall be accepted as surety on bonds of persons licensed to sell intoxicating liquors.

Woman suffrage.

By Mr. Gracey of Salem, from the committee on Woman Suffrage, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of Henry D. Blackwell and others for general woman suffrage.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Returns of registered female voters.

By Mr. Hinchcliffe of Lawrence, from the committee on Woman Suffrage, no legislation necessary, on the returns of the number of registered female voters for school committee for the years 1881 to 1887, inclusive, and also the number who have exercised the privilege of voting. Read, and, on motion of Mr. Hinchcliffe, the rule was suspended, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Disposition of forfeited property seized in gaming houses.

By Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill to provide for the disposition of forfeited property found and seized in common gaming houses ought to pass in a new draft with the same title.

Weights and measures.

By Mr. Haskell of Deerfield, from the committee on Agriculture, on an order, a Bill to amend sections 20 and 22 of chapter 60 of the Public Statutes relating to weights and measures.

Bridge across Swift's Narrows in the town of Wareham.

By Mr. Rugg of New Bedford, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, on a petition (taken from the Senate files of last year), a Bill to authorize the town of Wareham to build a bridge across Swift's Narrows in said town.

Boston, Revere Beach and Lynn Railroad Company.

By Mr. Breed of Lynn, from the committee on Railroads, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the Boston, Revere Beach and Lynn Railroad Company to improve its terminal facilities in the city of Boston.

New York and New England Railroad Company.

By Mr. Wyman of Hyde Park, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the New York and New England Railroad Company to mortgage certain of its terminal lands in the city of Boston, and in relation to its purchase of such lands from the Commonwealth.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Hartwell of Ayer, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve providing for certain apparatus, buildings, insurance, repairs and furnishing at the Massachusetts Agricultural College ought to pass.

Massachusetts
Agricultural
College.

By Mr. Dexter of Lowell, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill relating to the report of the controller of the accounts of county officers, officers of inferior courts and trial justices, ought to pass.

Report of the
Controller
of County
Accounts.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Haggerty of Southbridge, from the committee on Education, that the Senate Bill (recommitted) concerning the election and the powers and duties of trustees of free public libraries, or of free public libraries and reading-rooms, in towns, ought to pass with certain amendments. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the main question being on ordering the bill to a third reading.

Free public
libraries and
reading-rooms
in towns.

By Mr. Bottum of Northampton, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the House Bill (introduced on leave) to prevent the abuse of attachments and in amendment of chapter 161, section 38, of the Public Statutes ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

Abuse of
attachments.

By Mr. Sohier of Beverly, from the committee on Public Service, on so much of the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons on the Reformatory Prison for Women as relates to the increase of salaries in said institution, a Bill to re-establish the salaries of the matrons, deputy matrons and assistant matrons in the Reformatory Prison for Women.

Reformatory
Prison for
Women.

By Mr. Hagerty of Boston, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on a petition, a Resolve providing for additional accommodation for the boys at the Lyman Reform School at Westborough and for the building of a house for the superintendent and officers of said school.

Lyman Reform
School at
Westborough.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

To provide for extra clerical assistance for the police court at Lowell (which originated in the House) ; and

To authorize the Providence and Worcester Railroad Company to increase its capital stock ;

To include the town of Rockport within the judicial district of the police court of Gloucester ;

(Concerning neglected children and juvenile offenders ;

To change the name of the Commonwealth Safe Deposit and Trust Company ; and

To incorporate the Magnolia Improvement Company ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed.

An engrossed Resolve granting an allowance for the erection of flank-stones and the mounting of cannon, to mark the positions of certain regiments and batteries of Massachusetts volunteers on the battlefield of Gettysburg, Pennsylvania (which originated in the Senate), was passed, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders.

Vagrants.

On motions of Mr. Symonds of Salem, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so far amending chapter 207 of the Public Statutes, and particularly sections 29, 30, 36 and 42 thereof, as will establish a maximum and a minimum sentence for such offences as are therein described, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Vacations of
clerks of police
and district
courts.

On motions of Mr. Bottum of Northampton, the report of the committee on Public Service, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to granting to clerks of police and district courts compensation for absence not exceeding thirty days in any one year, at a rate per day equal to the respective salaries of said clerks, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, inexpedient ^{Orders of the Day.} to legislate, on an order relative to regulating or limiting the connection of savings banks with national banks ;

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Samuel Brackett and others for an increase of the salaries of the officers of the Municipal Court in the city of Boston ;

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the Ninth Annual Report of the Board of Lunacy and Charity as relates to an inebriate asylum ; and

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending sections 31 and 33 of chapter 87 of the Public Statutes as to restore the provisions of law relative to the support of paupers in the State lunatic hospitals in force prior to the 31st day of January, 1882 ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To provide for rebuilding the bridge across the Connecticut River between Holyoke and South Hadley ;

To establish the salary of the Assistant District Attorney for the Eastern District ;

Relating to costs on search-warrants issued under the liquor law :

To confirm the takings of land around Fresh Pond in Cambridge ;

To enlarge the powers of the Stoughton Fire District ; and

To limit the time within which trout, land-locked salmon and lake trout may be taken in Berkshire County ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Relating to liquor license bonds ; and

To provide for the widening of the draws in the two bridges across the Neponset River, known as the Neponset Avenue Bridge and the Granite Avenue Bridge (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

In relation to the station of the New Haven and North-hampton Railroad Company in Whately, called Whately Station ; and

To authorize the Boston, Winthrop and Shore Railroad Company to relocate portions of its railroad in the town of Winthrop ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the Board of Railroad Commissioners to hear and determine matters of difference between the selectmen of Wareham and the Onset Street Railway Company was further considered. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was postponed, and placed first in the orders of the day for to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Gile of Worcester. Subsequently, the orders of the day having been laid on the table, the vote whereby the bill was postponed was reconsidered. The recurring question on postponement was lost, and the bill was recommitted to the committee on Street Railways, on motion of Mr. Symonds of Salem.

Point of order. The Bill to prevent deception in the manufacture and sale of butter was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Mr. Dresser of Medford raised the point of order that the bill was improperly before the House, for the following reasons: 1st. The scope of the bill is broader than the provisions of the order submitted to the State Board of Health for investigation, which did not provide for legislation as the result of the investigation. 2d. That the bill is not germane to the report of the State Board of Health, which does not suggest or recommend any legislation. 3d. That the purpose of the bill is adverse to the findings of the report.

Pending the point of order, and pending the amendment moved by Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, and the point of order relative thereto raised by Mr. Quincy of Quincy, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Dresser.

The report of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on petitions of Herbert N. Gammons and others for legislation restricting the hours of labor to 10 in 12 on

street railways in cities containing 100,000 inhabitants, was, on motion of Mr. Quincy of Quincy, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

The report of the committee on Towns, reference to the next General Court, on the petitions of William Montgomery and others for the annexation of a part of the town of Stoneham to the town of Wakefield, was further considered. Mr. Woodward of Wakefield moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to annex a part of the town of Stoneham to the town of Wakefield." Pending the amendment, and pending the question on the acceptance of the report, it was, on further motion of Mr. Woodward, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

The Bill in relation to the employment of minors and women in mercantile establishments was read a second time and considered. An amendment, moved by Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, to strike out section two, was adopted. Mr. Quincy of Quincy moved to amend by the substitution of the "Bill to restrict the employment of minors and women in mercantile establishments to ten hours in any one day," recommended by the minority of the committee. An amendment, moved by Mr. Sawyer of Cambridge to the substitute bill, to strike out section two, was adopted, and the substitute bill, as amended, was rejected by a vote of 46 to 111. On the main question of ordering the bill, as amended, to a third reading, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Quincy of Quincy, and the roll being called, the bill was rejected by a vote of 86 yeas to 105 nays, as follows: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen, John J.

Atwood, Harrison H.

Bartlett, Joseph F.

Bennett, Charles H.

Brackett, Albert A.

Brady, Peter J.

Brigham, Arthur A.

Butler, William A.

Calnan, Patrick J.

Carey, William H.

Carman, William A.

Carney, Michael

Carroll, Peter T.

Messrs. Church, Moses D.

Clark, David H.

Coveney, John W.

Cronin, James M.

Dame, Albert L.

Delano, John W.

Desmond, Jeremiah

Doherty, John

Dolan, Bernard

Donovan, Edward J.

Donovan, James

Dresser, Theodore P.

Driscoll, John

Messrs. Dunlea, James J.	Messrs. O'Mealey, John W.
Eames, Harry M.	O'Neil, John W.
Farren, Thomas G.	Poore, William H.
Finney, Elkanah	Provin, William
Flynn, Edward J.	Quincy, Josiah
Flynn, Thomas J.	Quinn, Andrew
Gagan, Edward	Quinn, Dennis J.
Garity, Michael	Quinn, Philip H.
Gibson, George W.	Raymond, Samuel M.
Griswold, Freeman C.	Read, John
Hayes, Elihu B.	Richards, James H.
Hayes, John E.	Riddell, Henry
Hinchcliffe, William J.	Rogers, Samuel N.
Holbrook, John A.	Russell, Alvin D.
Keane, Jeremiah J.	Seavey, Charles W.
Kendall, Horace M.	Simonds, S. Dwight
Kennedy, Patrick J.	Slocum, George W.
Kimball, Henry A.	Story, Cyrus
Leach, William T.	Sullivan, Michael F.
Leary, Edward J.	Sullivan, Thomas F.
Lyons, Henry S.	Tompkins, Isaac B.
Manning, Albert S.	Towne, Joseph L.
McCarthy, Patrick	Turner, Henry A.
McCooley, Thomas	Wadlin, Horace G.
McDonald, Robert H.	Wilkinson, John W.
McEnaney, Thomas O.	Willis, Rufus H.
McEttrick, Michael J.	Winchester, Reuben
Miller, Albert E.	Winthrop, John
Monahan, William H.	Woodward, Charles F.
Morin, John M.	Wright, Arthur

NAYS.

Messrs. Adams, Charles E.	Messrs. Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.
Armstrong, William O.	Clark, Henry
Atherton, Horace H.	Close, George
Babbitt, Rollin H.	Colby, John F.
Backup, John	Conant, Charles W.
Barrett, William E.	Conwell, David
Blake, Edwin H.	Coolidge, George H.
Blume, Andreas	Dame, Luther
Bottum, John B.	Davis, Edmund A.
Breed, Arthur B.	Dewey, Wilson
Brewer, Edward W.	Dexter, Solomon K.
Brooks, A. Olin	Ferry, William F.
Brown, John F.	Fisher, Albert L.
Call, Charles A.	Fisk, Edward P.
Cannell, Joseph H.	Floyd, David, 2d
Carpenter, George N.	Fottler, Jacob

Messrs. Friend, Henry

Frost, Henry
 Gile, William A.
 Gleason, Joseph H.
 Gleason, Willard F.
 Gordon, William, Jr.
 Gracey, Samuel L.
 Gray, Davis P.
 Grosvenor, Charles F.
 Hall, Frederick S.
 Hartwell, Benjamin H.
 Haskell, Henry C.
 Hatch, Franklin W.
 Hathaway, James A.
 Haynes, Henry D.
 Henry, Robert
 Hill, Luther
 Hitchcock, Calvin
 Holman, Frank E.
 Hunt, George H.
 Jaques, Alden P.
 Kearn, George H.
 Kimball, John W.
 Knox, Charles H.
 Lothrop, J. Q. A.
 Lovell, Clarence P.
 Manning, David, Jr.
 Martin, James P.
 Miller, Lyman M.
 Milliken, Daniel L.
 Morey, George F.
 Morton, Harrison E.
 Nelson, Sidney T.
 Norwood, Caleb J.
 Parkman, Henry
 Pear, Isaac S.
 Peirson, Henry M.

Messrs. Pierce, Charles Q.

Pinkerton, Alfred S.
 Robinson, Ethan C.
 Robinson, J. Henry
 Rogers, Joseph W.
 Rogerson, Wm. B.
 Rounsevell, Arthur G.
 Rugg, Charles P.
 Russell, Irving L.
 Sanford, Alpheus
 Sanger, Chester F.
 Shepard, Charles F.
 Smith, Sidney P.
 Southwick, Benjamin F.
 Spring, Charles E.
 Stimpson, Daniel P.
 Stowe, Elijah B.
 Taft, Robert L.
 Thayer, Rufus A.
 Thompson, A. Cranston
 Thompson, Albert G.
 Trull, George W.
 Tyler, Ansel P.
 Walworth, Arthur C.
 Warden, Erskine
 Wardwell, J. Otis
 Ware, M. Everett
 Waters, Franklin L.
 Wharton, William F.
 Whitchee, James E.
 White, William L., Jr.
 Wilde, William A.
 Wiley, Albert L.
 Witt, Charles T.
 Woods, Frank F.
 Wyman, Ferdinand A.

Yeas, 86 ; Nays, 105.

On this question, Messrs. Mellen of Worcester, Hastings of Framingham, Lally of Milford, McDonough of Boston, Conroy of Fall River, Haggerty of Boston and Haggerty of Southbridge, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired, respectively, with Messrs. Plaisted of Worcester, Vanderhoop of Gay Head, Upham of Waltham, Raymond of Somerville, Clark of Huntington, Shaw of Newburyport and Lyman of Belchertown.

The Bill relating to the penalty for violation of the provisions of chapter 100 of the Public Statutes, relating to intoxicating liquors, was read a second time, and, after debate, was rejected by a vote of 45 to 87.

The Bill providing that violations of the provisions of chapters 100 and 101 of the Public Statutes shall be similar offences was read a second time, and, after debate, was rejected.

The Bill to exclude from juries in the trial of cases arising under the liquor laws all persons engaged in the manufacture or sale of intoxicating liquors was further considered, the main question being on ordering the bill to a third reading. To the amendment recommended by the committee on the Liquor Law, to add a new section to be numbered section 2, as follows: *Section 2.* The provisions of this act shall not apply to persons so engaged in the manufacture or sale of intoxicating liquors where no license is required therefor under the provisions of chapter one hundred of the Public Statutes, Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill moved an amendment, by adding at the end thereof the words "or to any person holding only a sixth class license or any employer of said person."

Point of order.

Mr. Flynn of Boston raised the point of order that this latter amendment would make the bill special in its provisions, and not general, as contemplated by the order upon which the bill was reported. The Chair declared the point well taken, and the amendment was ruled out.

Point of order.

Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill raised a like point of order in relation to the section two recommended by the committee. The Chair declared the point well taken, and the amendment was ruled out.

The bill was then rejected.

At twenty minutes past five o'clock, adjourned.

THURSDAY, April 19, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Payson W. Lyman of Belchertown, a member of the House.

Report Received.

So much of the report of the Commissioners of Prisons as relates to the Massachusetts Reformatory was received and was referred to the committee on Prisons and sent up for concurrence.

Report of the Commissioners of Prisons on the Massachusetts Reformatory.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Close of Cambridge, from the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on a petition of the city of Cambridge for a proper readjustment of the boundary line between said city of Cambridge and the city of Somerville.

Boundary line between the cities of Cambridge and Somerville.

By Mr. Flynn of Boston, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 35 of chapter 170 of the Public Statutes and chapter 149 of the Acts of the year 1887; or of further legislation relative to the qualifications and selection of jurors.

Qualifications and selection of jurors.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Collison of Boston, from the same committee, on so much of the third annual report of the Board of Police for the city of Boston as relates to punishment for interfering with the police signal system, a Bill to punish interferences with the police signal systems.

Police signal systems.

By Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to confirm the proceedings of the last annual town meeting of the town of Brookfield.

Brookfield.

By Mr. Conant of Gardner, from the committee on Manufactures, on petitions, a Bill to authorize the towns of Athol, Spencer and Amesbury to license the manufacture and distribution of illuminating gas containing more than ten per cent. of carbonic oxide.

Water gas, — Athol, Spencer, and Amesbury.

Voting by
minors in
religious
corporations.

By Mr. Colby of Boston, from the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, on an order, a Bill prohibiting voting by minors in religious societies and churches incorporated under the laws of this Commonwealth.

Annexation of
a portion of the
town of Tewks-
bury to the city
of Lowell.

By Mr. Qua of Lowell, from the committee on Towns, on petitions, a Bill to annex a portion of the town of Tewksbury to the city of Lowell. [Mr. Coveney of Cambridge, of the House, dissenting.]

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Publication of a
new edition of
the statutes
relating to pub-
lic schools.

By Mr. Kimball of Northampton, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve providing for the publication of a new edition of the statutes relating to public schools ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for tomorrow for a second reading.

Discharged from the Orders.

Cooley Dickin-
son Hospital.

On motion of Mr. Bottum of Northampton, the Bill to amend the charter of the Cooley Dickinson Hospital was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and, pending the question on engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, laid on the table.

Bills Enacted.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquor on Fast Day, Memorial Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day ;

Consolidating the Lynn Gas Light Company and the Lynn Electric Lighting Company ; and

Making appropriations for carrying out the provisions of the act relating to the employment of prisoners in the prisons of the Commonwealth ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To authorize the Boston and Maine Railroad to purchase the franchises and property of the Eastern Railroad Company, and the Eastern Railroad in New Hampshire, and the Portsmouth, Great Falls and Conway Railroad ; and

To amend an act to improve the civil service of the Commonwealth and the cities thereof ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to giving to any town the right to choose a committee to have the care of trees upon its streets, squares and parks, was accepted. Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to amending the laws relating to the education of illiterate minors ;

On an order relative to providing for the attendance at evening schools of minors between the ages of fourteen and eighteen, who have not completed what is understood as a grammar-school education ;

Of the same committee, no legislation necessary, on the report of the State Board of Education on the subject of evening schools ; and

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order (recommitted) providing by law that no person shall become surety on more than three bonds for persons licensed to sell intoxicating liquors for the same term ; and

On an order (recommitted) relative to providing that no person engaged in the liquor traffic, or having a business interest in said traffic, shall be accepted as surety on bonds of persons licensed to sell intoxicating liquors ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the Boston, Revere Beach and Lynn Railroad Company to improve its terminal facilities in the city of Boston ;

To authorize the town of Wareham to build a bridge across Swift's Narrows in said town ;

To authorize the New York and New England Railroad Company to mortgage certain of its terminal lands in the city of Boston, and in relation to its purchase of such lands from the Commonwealth ;

To provide for the disposition of forfeited property found and seized in common gaming-houses ;

To amend sections 20 and 22 of chapter 60 of the Public Statutes, relating to weights and measures ;

Relating to the report of the controller of the accounts of county officers, officers of inferior courts and trial justices ;

To regulate the running of the cars of one street railway company over the tracks of another ;

To regulate the sale of commercial fertilizers ;

Concerning the fees for the pilotage of vessels in and out of Wood's Holl Harbor ; and

To establish the salaries of the justices of the Supreme Judicial Court and of the justices of the Superior Court ; and the

Resolve providing for certain apparatus, buildings, insurance, repairs and furnishing at the Massachusetts Agricultural College ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To amend chapter 103 of the Acts of the year 1887 in relation to proper sanitary provisions in factories and workshops (amended as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ; and

To establish the salary of the Assistant District-Attorney for the Eastern District ; and the

Resolve to provide for the purchase of printing materials and presses for the State Prison (amended on motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To extend the time for building the Horace Mann schoolhouse ; and

To enlarge the powers of the Stoughton Fire District ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to exempting laborers in the service of cities from the provisions of the Civil Service Act was further considered. Mr. Towne of Lynn moved to amend by the substitution of the bill recommended by the minority of the committee, being a " Bill to exempt laborers from the provisions of the Civil Service Act." After debate, the bill moved as a substitute was rejected, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Public Service, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor of the city of Boston for an amendment to the Civil Service Law so as to exempt from its general provisions the common laborers of the departments of the said city, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on petitions of Herbert N. Gammons and others for legislation restricting the hours of labor to 10 in 12 on street railways in cities containing 100,000 inhabitants, was further considered. Mr. Mellen of Worcester moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to regulate the hours of labor of conductors and drivers upon street railways." After debate, on the question of substituting the bill, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, and, the roll being called, the bill was substituted by a vote of 104 yeas to 89 nays, as follows :—

YEAS.

Messrs.		Messrs.	
Allen, Montessor T.		Dennis, George	
Atherton, Horace H.		Desmond, Jeremiah	
Atwood, Harrison H.		Doherty, John	
Barrett, William E.		Dolan, Bernard	
Bennett, Charles H.		Donovan, Edward J.	
Boardman, Francis		Donovan, James	
Brady, Peter J.		Driscoll, John	
Breed, Arthur B.		Dunlea, James J.	
Brewer, Edward W.		Eames, Harry M.	
Brigham, Arthur A.		Fales, Frank A.	
Burnham, William Howe		Farren, Thomas G.	
Butler, William A.		Finney, Elkanah	
Calnan, Patrick J.		Flynn, Edward J.	
Carey, William H.		Flynn, Thomas J.	
Carman, William A.		Gagan, Edward	
Carney, Michael		Garity, Michael	
Carroll, Peter T.		Griswold, Freeman C.	
Champlin, Arthur B.		Gunn, Daniel	
Church, Moses D.		Hagerty, David J.	
Clark, David H.		Haskell, Henry C.	
Collison, Harvey N.		Hayes, John E.	
Conant, Charles W.		Hill, Luther	
Conroy, James		Holbrook, John A.	
Coveney, John W.		Keane, Jeremiah J.	
Cronin, James M.		Kendall, Horace M.	
Dame, Luther		Kennedy, Patrick J.	

Messrs. Kimball, Henry A.
 Lally, James, Jr.
 Leach, William T.
 Leary, Edward J.
 Lovell, Clarence P.
 Lyman, Payson W.
 Lyons, Henry S.
 Manning, David, Jr.
 McCall, Samuel W.
 McCarthy, Patrick
 McCooey, Thomas
 McDonald, Robert H.
 McEnaney, Thomas O.
 McEtrick, Michael J.
 Mellen, James H.
 Merrill, John F.
 Monahan, William H.
 Morin, John M.
 Norwood, Caleb J.
 O'Brien, Dennis J.
 O'Neil, John W.
 Perkins, Nathaniel R.
 Poore, William H.
 Provin, William
 Qua, Francis W.
 Quincy, Josiah

Messrs. Quinn, Andrew
 Quinn, Dennis J.
 Quinn, Philip H.
 Raymond, Samuel M.
 Riddell, Henry
 Robinson, Ethan C.
 Robinson, J. Henry
 Rogers, Joseph W.
 Russell, Alvin D.
 Slocum, George W.
 Sohler, William D.
 Stowe, Elijah B.
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 Sullivan, Thomas F.
 Thompson, Albert G.
 Towne, Joseph L.
 Turner, Henry A.
 Vanderhoop, Edwin D.
 Ware, M. Everett
 Whitchee, James E.
 Wilkinson, John W.
 Willis, Rufus H.
 Winchester, Reuben
 Witt, Charles T.
 Woodward, Charles F.
 Wyman, Ferdinand A.

NARS.

Messrs. Allen, John J.
 Armstrong, William O.
 Babbitt, Rollin H.
 Backup, John
 Berry, Francis T.
 Blake, Edwin H.
 Blume, Andreas
 Brown, John F.
 Call, Charles A.
 Carpenter, George N.
 Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.
 Clark, Henry
 Clark, Schuyler
 Close, George
 Colby, John F.
 Conwell, David
 Coolidge, George H.
 Crowell, Joshua
 Cutler, Samuel
 Davis, Edmund A.

Messrs. Dewey, Wilson
 Dexter, Solomon K.
 Eldridge, Albert R.
 Fisher, Albert L.
 Fisk, Edward P.
 Floyd, David, 2d
 Fottler, Jacob
 Friend, Henry
 Frost, Henry
 Gile, William A.
 Gleason, Joseph H.
 Gleason, Willard F.
 Gordon, William, Jr.
 Goss, Charles
 Gracey, Samuel L.
 Greenwood, Morrill A.
 Grosvenor, Charles F.
 Hall, Frederick S.
 Hartwell, Benjamin H.
 Hatch, Franklin W.

Messrs. Hathaway, James A.	Messrs. Rounsevell, Arthur G.
Hayes, Elihu B.	Rugg, Charles P.
Haynes, Henry D.	Russell, Irving L.
Henry, Robert	Sanford, Alpheus
Hitchcock, Calvin	Sanger, Chester F.
Holman, Frank E.	Shaw, Edward P.
Hooper, George M.	Shepard, Charles F.
Hunt, George H.	Simonds, S. Dwight
Jaques, Alden P.	Slocum, Winfield S.
Kimball, John W.	Southwick, Benjamin F.
Lothrop, J. Q. A.	Spring, Charles E.
Manning, Albert S.	Stimpson, Daniel P.
Martin, James P.	Taft, Robert L.
Miller, Albert E.	Thompson, A. Cranston
Miller, Lyman M.	Tompkins, Isaac B.
Milliken, Daniel L.	Tyler, Ansel P.
Morey, George F.	Upham, Samuel O.
Nelson, Sidney T.	Wales, Abijah T.
Parkman, Henry	Walworth, Arthur C.
Pear, Isaac S.	Warden, Erskine
Peirson, Henry M.	Wardwell, J. Otis
Pierce, Charles Q.	Waters, Franklin L.
Plaisted, John W.	Wilde, William A.
Raymond, Francis H.	Wiley, Albert L.
Rogerson, William B.	

Yeas, 104 ; nays, 89.

On this question, Messrs. Haggerty of Southbridge, Gibson of Chicopee, O'Mealey of Boston, Hastings of Framingham, Woods of Boston and McDonough of Boston, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired, respectively, with Messrs. Wright of Westford, Ferry of Springfield, Perry of Norton, Trull of Tewksbury, Seavey of Medway and White of Taunton.

The bill, having been read, was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The report of the committee on Towns, reference to the next General Court, on the petitions of William Montgomery and others for the annexation of a part of the town of Stoneham to the town of Wakefield, was further considered. After debate, the pending amendment, moved by Mr. Woodward of Wakefield, to substitute a " Bill to annex a part of the town of Stoneham to the town of Wakefield," was rejected, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize cities and town to fix the number of hours of labor of their employees was read a third time and considered. An amendment, moved by Mr. Hunt of Rockland, to strike out, in line 2 of section 1, the words "of a town" and insert in place thereof the words "at its annual," was adopted. After debate, the bill, as amended, was rejected.

At twenty-nine minutes past five o'clock, adjourned.

FRIDAY, April 20, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Gile of Worcester, the Bill to fix the tenure of office of the members of the police force of the city of Worcester was taken from the table. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Thursday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Tenure of office
of the police
force of the city
of Worcester.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no further legislation necessary, on the thirty-fourth annual report of the Trustees of the Taunton Lunatic Hospital, for year ending Sept. 30, 1887 ;

Report of the
Trustees of the
Taunton
Lunatic
Hospital.

Of the same committee, no legislation necessary, on the fifty-sixth annual report of the Trustees of the Perkins Institution and Massachusetts School for the Blind, for the year ending Sept. 30, 1887 ;

Report of the
Trustees of the
Perkins Institu-
tion and Massa-
chusetts School
for the Blind.

Of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Boston, Winthrop and Shore Railroad Company for authority to sell part of its railroad ; and

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Of the committee on Water Supply, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending the General Statutes as to allow aqueduct and water companies to lay and repair pipes in streets of cities and towns under the direction of city and town officers, and what change is necessary in the laws relating thereto ;

Aqueduct and
water
companies.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

The report of the committee on Manufactures, no legislation necessary, on the third annual report of the Board of Gas Commissioners for the year 1887, accepted by the Senate, was read, and, on motion of Mr. Morey of Lowell, the rule was suspended, and the report was re-

Report of the
Board of Gas
Commissioners.

committed to the committee on Manufactures, and sent up for concurrence in the recommitment.

Registration report,—births, marriages and deaths,—returns of medical examiners.

A report of the committee on Public Health, no legislation necessary, on so much of the forty-fifth registration report as relates to births, marriages and deaths and returns of medical examiners, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Wilkinson of Cambridge.

Salaries to members of the Board of Aldermen of the city of Boston.

A Bill to authorize the city of Boston to pay salaries to members of the board of aldermen of said city (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Joint committees to report to the next General Court on matters pending before them April 27.

The House order that joint committees be and they are hereby directed to report reference to next General Court on all matters remaining in their hands at the close of the session of Thursday, the nineteenth instant, adopted by the House, came down from the Senate, adopted, in concurrence, amended by striking out the words "Thursday, the nineteenth," in the last line, and inserting in place thereof the words "Friday, the twenty-seventh," in which amendment the House concurred.

Reports of Committees.

Public park at South Boston.

By Mr. Kennedy of Boston, from the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to setting off a certain portion of the tract of land known as the South Boston flats, situated in South Boston, as a park or public playing ground. Read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Report of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks.

By Mr. McCall of Winchester, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of so much of the supplementary report of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks as relates to deposits by judges of probate, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Read and accepted.

Municipal suffrage for women.

By Mr. Milliken of Malden, from the committee on Woman Suffrage, on so much of the Governor's Address as relates to woman suffrage, on petitions and an order, a Bill giving to female citizens the right to vote in city or town elections and meetings, and to hold city or town

offices. (Mr. Slattery, of the Senate, and Mr. Carman of Fall River, of the House, dissenting.) Read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Bartlett of Montague, from the committee on State aid. Military Affairs, that the Bill (on leave) for the relief of persons who have served in the army or navy of the United States, and their dependent families, ought to pass in a new draft with the title, "A Bill for the relief of persons who have served in the army or navy of the United States, during the rebellion, and their dependent families."

By Mr. Lally of Milford, from the committee on Printing, on an order, a Resolve providing for the printing of fifteen hundred extra copies of the report of the State Board of Health relative to the manufacture and sale of Report of the State Board of Health on the manufacture and sale of oleomargarine and butterine. oleomargarine and butterine.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Morey of Lowell, the Bill to authorize the towns of Athol, Spencer and Amesbury to license the manufacture and distribution of illuminating gas containing more than ten per cent. of carbonic oxide was discharged from the orders of the day under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, laid on the table. Water gas,—Athol, Spencer and Amesbury.

Hour of Adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Fisk of Boston, —

Voted, That the rule requiring the Speaker to declare a recess at quarter before one o'clock be suspended, and that the Speaker declare an adjournment at half-past two o'clock, unless an adjournment should be sooner reached. Hour of adjournment.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the city of Cambridge for a readjustment of the boundary line between said city of Cambridge and the city of Somerville ; and Orders of the Day.

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Hour of Adjournment.

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Voted, That the rule requiring the Speaker to declare a recess at quarter before one o'clock be suspended, and that the Speaker declare an adjournment at half-past two o'clock, unless an adjournment should be sooner reached. Hour of adjournment.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the city of Cambridge for a readjustment of the boundary line between said city of Cambridge and the city of Somerville ; and Orders of the Day.

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 35 of chapter 170 of the Public Statutes and chapter 149 of the Acts of the year 1887, or of further legislation relative to the qualifications and selection of jurors;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the Boston Heating Company to increase its capital stock;

Relating to the seizure and disposition of implements and furniture used in the illegal selling of intoxicating liquors;

Providing for the compensation of the commissioner of the new bridge between the cities of Boston and Cambridge, who will be appointed by the mayors of said cities;

Prohibiting voting by minors in religious societies and churches incorporated under the laws of this Commonwealth;

To punish interferences with police signal systems; and

To confirm the proceedings of the last annual town meeting of the town of Brookfield; and the

Resolve providing for the publication of a new edition of the statutes relating to public schools;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To authorize the New York and New England Railroad Company to mortgage certain of its terminal lands in the city of Boston, and in relation to its purchase of such lands from the Commonwealth; and

To provide for the disposition of forfeited property found and seized in common gaming-houses; and the

Resolve providing for certain apparatus, buildings, insurance, repairs and furnishing at the Massachusetts Agricultural College;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

Relating to costs on search-warrants issued under the liquor law;

To limit the time within which trout, land-locked salmon and lake trout may be taken in Berkshire County;

Relating to the report of the controller of the accounts of county officers, officers of inferior courts and trial justices ; and

To establish the salaries of the justices of the Supreme Judicial Court and of the justices of the Superior Court ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill (on leave) to prevent the abuse of attachments and in amendment of section 38 of chapter 131 of the Public Statutes was rejected, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary.

The report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of James F. Mullen and others, lot owners in the cemetery belonging to the Boston Catholic Cemetery Association, asking for legislation relating to the management of said association, was, on motion of Mr. Holman of Clinton, laid on the table.

The report of the committee on Woman Suffrage, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of Henry B. Blackwell and others for general woman suffrage, was amended, on motion of Mr. Symonds of Salem, by striking out the words, "that the further consideration thereof be referred to the next General Court," and inserting in place thereof the words, "that the petitioner have leave to withdraw," and, as amended, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill concerning the election and the powers and duties of trustees of free public libraries, or of free public libraries and reading-rooms in towns, was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. After debate, the pending amendments, recommended by the committee on Education, were adopted, and the bill, as amended, was rejected by a vote of 56 to 58.

The Bill to amend chapter 276 of the Acts of the year 1886, being an act for the better preservation of birds and game, was further considered. Pending an amendment moved by Mr. Barrett of Melrose, and pending an amendment moved by Mr. Gile of Worcester, and pending the main question on the engrossment of the bill, it was, on motion of Mr. Crowell of Dennis, postponed for further consideration until Monday.

The Bill to limit the number of places licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors, was further considered, the question being on engrossment. On this question, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Parkman of Boston, and, the roll being called, the bill was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence, by a vote of 104 yeas to 49 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs.		Messrs.	
Adams, Charles E.		Grosvenor, Charles F.	
Allen, John J.		Hall, Frederick S.	
Bartlett, Joseph F.		Hartwell, Benjamin H.	
Bixby, Charles C.		Haskell, Henry C.	
Breed, Arthur B.		Hatch, Franklin W.	
Brigham, Arthur A.		Hathaway, James A.	
Brown, John F.		Haynes, Henry D.	
Burnham, William Howe		Henry, Robert	
Butler, William A.		Hitchcock, Calvin	
Cannell, Joseph H.		Holbrook, John A.	
Carpenter, George N.		Holman, Frank E.	
Champlin, Arthur B.		Hooper, George M.	
Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.		Hunt, George H.	
Clark, David H.		Jaques, Alden P.	
Clark, Henry		Lothrop, J. Q. A.	
Clark, Schuyler		Lyman, Payson W.	
Conant, Charles W.		Manning, Albert S.	
Coolidge, George H.		Manning, David, Jr.	
Crowell, Joshua		Martin, James P.	
Cutler, Samuel		McCall, Samuel W.	
Dame, Luther		McCarthy, Patrick	
Delano, John W.		Miller, Lyman M.	
Dennis, George		Milliken, Daniel L.	
Dresser, Theodore P.		Morey, George F.	
Driscoll, John		Morton, Harrison E.	
Eames, Harry M.		Norwood, Caleb J.	
Eldridge, Albert R.		Parkman, Henry	
Fales, Frank A.		Pear, Isaac S.	
Finney, Elkanah		Peirson, Henry M.	
Fisk, Edward P.		Perry, George R.	
Floyd, David, 2d		Poore, William H.	
Friend, Henry		Qua, Francis W.	
Frost, Henry		Robinson, J. Henry	
Gile, William A.		Rogers, Joseph W.	
Gleason, Joseph H.		Rogerson, Wm. B.	
Gleason, Willard F.		Rounsevell, Arthur G.	
Gray, Davis P.		Rugg, Charles P.	
Greenwood, Morrill A.		Russell, Alvin D.	
Griswold, Freeman C.		Sanger, Chester F.	

Messrs. Seavey, Charles W.
 Shepard, Charles F.
 Simonds, S. Dwight
 Slocum, George W.
 Southwick, Benjamin F.
 Spring, Charles E.
 Stimpson, Daniel P.
 Story, Cyrus
 Thompson, A. Cranston
 Tompkins, Isaac B.
 Trull, George W.
 Turner, Henry A.
 Wadlin, Horace G.

Messrs. Walworth, Arthur C.
 Wardwell, J. Otis
 Ware, M. Everett
 Waters, Franklin L.
 Wharton, William F.
 White, William L., Jr.
 Wilde, William A.
 Wiley, Albert L.
 Wilkinson, John W.
 Willis, Rufus H.
 Witt, Charles T.
 Wright, Arthur
 Wyman, Ferdinand A.

NAYS.

Messrs. Backup, John
 Bennett, Charles H.
 Berry, Francis T.
 Boardman, Francis
 Brady, Peter J.
 Brooks, A. Olin
 Call, Charles A.
 Carey, William H.
 Carman, William A.
 Carney, Michael
 Conroy, James
 Coveney, John W.
 Desmond, Jeremiah
 Doherty, John
 Dolan, Bernard
 Donovan, Edward J.
 Donovan, James
 Farren, Thomas G.
 Gagan, Edward
 Garity, Michael
 Gibson, George W.
 Haggerty, Charles
 Hastings, William H.
 Hayes, John E.
 Keane, Jeremiah J.

Messrs. Kendall, Horace M.
 Kennedy, Patrick J.
 Lally, James, Jr.
 Leach, William T.
 Lyons, Henry S.
 McCooey, Thomas
 McDonald, Robert H.
 McEnaney, Thomas O.
 McEttrick, Michael J.
 Mellen, James H.
 Monahan, William H.
 Morin, John M.
 O'Brien, Dennis J.
 O'Mealey, John W.
 O'Neil, John W.
 Provin, William
 Quinn, Dennis J.
 Quinn, Philip H.
 Raymond, Samuel M.
 Riddell, Henry,
 Robinson, Ethan C.
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 Symonds, Charles H.
 Towne, Joseph L.

Yeas, 104 ; nays, 49.

On this question, Messrs. Bottum of Northampton, Whitcher of Stoneham, Barrett of Melrose, Merrill of Quincy, Slocum of Newton, Miller of Needham, Colby of Boston, Warden of Waltham, Gracey of Salem, Smith of Athol, Close of Cambridge, Pinkerton of Worcester and

Quincy of Quincy, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired, respectively, with Messrs. Dunlea of Boston, E. J. Flynn of Boston, Carroll of Worcester, Atwood of Boston, Hagerty of Boston, Knox of Chester, Sullivan of Boston, Calnan of Boston, Winchester of Holyoke, McDonough of Boston, Collison of Boston, Leary of Boston and Cronin of Worcester.

The Bill relating to vaccination was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. The pending amendments moved by Mr Milliken of Malden, and various amendments moved thereto by Messrs. Walworth of Newton and Wilkinson of Cambridge, were rejected. Mr. Hartwell of Ayer moved to amend by striking out the enacting clause, which was adopted, and the bill was indefinitely postponed.

At twenty minutes before three o'clock, adjourned.

MONDAY, April 23, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petition Presented.

By Mr. Conant of Gardner, petition of Thatcher B. Dunn and others for the Gardner Electric Company to have leave to improve certain portions of Crystal Lake in the town of Gardner by filling in and grading. Referred to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence.

Thatcher B. Dunn, — Gardner Electric Company.

Reconsideration.

Mr. Haggerty of Southbridge moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Friday, rejected the Bill concerning the election and the powers and duties of trustees of free public libraries, or of free public libraries and reading-rooms in towns. The motion prevailed, and pending the recurring question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, laid on the table.

Powers and duties of trustees of free public libraries or of free public libraries and reading-rooms in towns.

Mr. Milliken of Malden moved to reconsider the vote whereby the Bill relating to vaccination was, on Friday last, indefinitely postponed by striking out the enacting clause. After debate the motion was lost.

Vaccination.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on the order (recommitted) relative to amending section 4 of chapter 74 of the Public Statutes in relation to the employment of women and minors in manufacturing establishments, by striking out after the word "exceed" the word "sixty," and inserting in place thereof the words "fifty-eight" (Mr. Howard, of the Senate, and Messrs. Mellen of Worcester, Quincy of Quincy and Keane of Holyoke, of the House, dissenting), accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Employment of minors and women in manufacturing establishments.

Inland fisheries. A Bill to amend chapter ninety-one of the Public Statutes relating to inland fisheries (reported on the report of the Commissioners on Inland Fisheries and Game, in part), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Fighting of birds, dogs and other animals. Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of the House Bill to amend sections 66 and 67 of chapter 207 of the Public Statutes relating to the fighting of birds, dogs and other animals.

Overseers of the Poor of the city of Boston. A petition of the Overseers of the Poor of the city of Boston for authority to hold additional funds was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Cities, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Taken from the Table.

Manufacture and sale of butter.

On motion of Mr. Dresser of Medford, the Bill to prevent deception in the manufacture and sale of butter was taken from the table. Pending amendments moved by Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, and pending the points of order raised by Messrs. Quincy of Quincy and Dresser of Medford, and pending also the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on further motion of Mr. Dresser, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, May 1, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Reports of Committees.

Report of the Civil Service Commissioners.

By Mr. Towne of Lynn, from the committee on Public Service, no legislation necessary, on the Fourth Annual Report of the Civil Service Commissioners. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Savings banks.

By Mr. Atherton of Saugus, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on the annual report of the Commissioners of Savings Banks, in part, a Bill relating to savings banks.

Disposition of fees received by city officials.

By Mr. Parkman of Boston, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill to provide for the disposal of fees received by city officials.

Severally read and ordered to a third reading.

Massachusetts Reformatory.

By Mr. Berry of Salem, from the committee on Prisons, on the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons on the Massachusetts Reformatory, in part, a Bill in relation to the officers of the Massachusetts Reformatory.

By Mr. Calnan of Boston, from the committee on State House, under authority of section 13 of chapter 5 of the Public Statutes, a Resolve providing for certain repairs and improvements at the State House and at the Commonwealth Building. State House and Commonwealth Building.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill making an appropriation for the widow of the late John William Bacon. Read, and, on motion of Mr. Ware of Boston, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence, Rule 15 having also been suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman. Widow of the late John William Bacon.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Concerning the printing and distribution of Public Documents (which originated in the House) ; and Bills enacted.

Relating to the salaries of the clerks of courts and the payment of fees in the Superior Court and the Supreme Judicial Court ;

To extend the time for building the Horace Mann School-house ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

In favor of the widow of the late Rowse R. Clarke ; Resolves passed.

Providing for painting and for certain other improvements at the State Almshouse at Tewksbury ;

Providing for a stable, carriage-house, coal-shed, and certain other improvements at the Westborough Insane Hospital ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To provide for electric lighting machinery, solitary cells, and painting at the Reformatory Prison for Women ;

Providing for further investigations relative to sewage disposal in the Mystic and Charles River valleys ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders.

Annexation of a
part of Tewks-
bury to Lowell.

On motion of Mr. Qua of Lowell, the Bill to annex a portion of the town of Tewksbury to the city of Lowell was discharged from the Orders of the Day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, to be placed first in the orders of the day.

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The report of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to setting off a certain portion of the tract of land known as South Boston Flats, situated in South Boston, as a park or public playing ground, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no further legislation necessary, on the thirty-fourth annual report of the trustees of the Taunton Lunatic Hospital for the year ending Sept. 30, 1887 ;

Of the same committee, no further legislation necessary, on the fifty-sixth annual report of the trustees of the Perkins Institution and Massachusetts School for the Blind for the year ending Sept. 30, 1887 ;

Of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Boston, Winthrop and Shore Railroad Company for authority to sell a part of its railroad ; and

Of the committee on Water Supply, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending the General Statutes as to allow aqueduct and water companies to lay and repair pipes in streets of cities and towns under the direction of city and town officers, and what change is necessary in the laws relating thereto ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the city of Boston to pay salaries to members of the board of aldermen of said city was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To provide for rebuilding the bridge across the Connecticut River between Holyoke and South Hadley ;

To authorize the Boston, Revere Beach and Lynn Railroad Company to increase its terminal facilities in the city of Boston (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

To authorize the town of Wareham to build a bridge across Swift's Narrows in said town ;

To punish interferences with police signal systems ; and

To confirm the proceedings of the last annual town meeting of the town of Brookfield ; and the

Resolve providing for the publication of a new edition of the statutes relating to public schools ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To regulate the running of the cars of one street railway company over the tracks of another ;

To authorize the Boston Heating Company to increase its capital stock ; and

Concerning the fees for the pilotage of vessels in and out of Wood's Holl Harbor (amended as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, the last-named bill being sent up for concurrence in the amendments.

The Bill to amend chapter 276 of the Acts of the year 1886, being an act for the better preservation of birds and game, was further considered, the question being on engrossment. The pending amendments, moved by Mr. Gile of Worcester, were withdrawn by that gentleman, there being no objection. The pending amendment moved by Mr. Barrett of Melrose, and an amendment moved by Mr. Pinkerton, were severally rejected, and the bill was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to confirm the takings of land around Fresh Pond in Cambridge was read a third time and considered. An amendment moved by Mr. Slocum of Newton was adopted, and, after debate, the bill, as amended, was rejected.

The Bill to regulate the hours of labor of conductors and drivers upon street railways was read a second time. Pending amendments, moved by Messrs. Sanger of Cambridge, Quincy of Quincy, Wharton of Boston and Whitcher of

Discharged from the Orders.

Annexation of a
part of Tewks-
bury to Lowell.

On motion of Mr. Qua of Lowell, the Bill to annex a portion of the town of Tewksbury to the city of Lowell was discharged from the Orders of the Day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, to be placed first in the orders of the day.

Orders of the Day.

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Day.

The report of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to setting off a certain portion of the tract of land known as South Boston Flats, situated in South Boston, as a park or public playing ground, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no further legislation necessary, on the thirty-fourth annual report of the trustees of the Taunton Lunatic Hospital for the year ending Sept. 30, 1887 ;

Of the same committee, no further legislation necessary, on the fifty-sixth annual report of the trustees of the Perkins Institution and Massachusetts School for the Blind for the year ending Sept. 30, 1887 ;

Of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Boston, Winthrop and Shore Railroad Company for authority to sell a part of its railroad ; and

Of the committee on Water Supply, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so amending the General Statutes as to allow aqueduct and water companies to lay and repair pipes in streets of cities and towns under the direction of city and town officers, and what change is necessary in the laws relating thereto ;

Were severally accepted in concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the city of Boston to pay salaries to members of the board of aldermen of said city was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To provide for rebuilding the bridge across the Connecticut River between Holyoke and South Hadley ;

To authorize the Boston, Revere Beach and Lynn Railroad Company to increase its terminal facilities in the city of Boston (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

To authorize the town of Wareham to build a bridge across Swift's Narrows in said town ;

To punish interferences with police signal systems ; and

To confirm the proceedings of the last annual town meeting of the town of Brookfield ; and the

Resolve providing for the publication of a new edition of the statutes relating to public schools ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To regulate the running of the cars of one street railway company over the tracks of another ;

To authorize the Boston Heating Company to increase its capital stock ; and

Concerning the fees for the pilotage of vessels in and out of Wood's Holl Harbor (amended as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, the last-named bill being sent up for concurrence in the amendments.

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Stoneham, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Collison of Boston, postponed for further consideration until Thursday, April 26, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

The Bill giving to female citizens the right to vote in city or town elections and meetings and to hold city or town offices, was read a second time and considered. On the question of ordering the bill to a third reading, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Milliken of Malden, and, the roll being called, the bill was rejected by a vote of 36 yeas to 107 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, Charles E.	Messrs. Keane, Jeremiah J.
Allen, Montessor T.	Leach, William T.
Armstrong, William O.	Lyman, Payson W.
Atherton, Horace H.	McCarthy, Patrick
Breed, Arthur B.	Miller, Albert E.
Burnham, William Howe	Milliken, Daniel L.
Coolidge, George H.	Nelson, Sidney T.
Crowell, Joshua	Peirson, Henry M.
Dexter, Solomon K.	Raymond, Francis H.
Dresser, Theodore P.	Richards, James H.
Ferry, William F.	Rogers, Joseph W.
Floyd, David, 2d.	Rounsevell, Arthur G.
Gray, Davis P.	Story, Cyrus
Hayes, Elihu B.	Upham, Samuel O.
Hill, Luther	Wales, Abijah T.
Hinchcliffe, William J.	Whitcher, James E.
Hitchcock, Calvin	Wilde, William A.
Hunt, George H.	Woodward, Charles F.

NAYS.

Messrs. Atwood, Harrison H.	Messrs. Carroll, Peter T.
Bennett, Charles H.	Cheney, Joseph P. Jr.
Berry, Francis T.	Close, George
Blake, Edwin H.	Collison, Harvey N.
Boardman, Francis	Conroy, James
Brackett, Albert A.	Coveney, John W.
Brewer, Edward W.	Cronin, James M.
Call, Charles A.	Cutler, Samuel
Calnan, Patrick J.	Dame, Albert L.
Cannell, Joseph H.	Dennis, George
Carey, William H.	Desmond, Jeremiah
Carman, William A.	Dewey, Wilson
Carney, Michael	Doherty, John

Messrs. Dolan, Bernard
 Donovan, Edward J.
 Donovan, James
 Driscoll, John
 Eames, Harry M.
 Eldridge, Albert R.
 Fales, Frank A.
 Fisk, Edward P.
 Flynn, Edward J.
 Flynn, Thomas J.
 Fottler, Jacob
 Friend, Henry
 Frost, Henry
 Garity, Michael
 Gibson, George W.
 Gleason, Joseph H.
 Greenwood, Morrill A.
 Griswold, Freeman C.
 Hastings, William H.
 Hatch, Franklin W.
 Hayes, John E.
 Holbrook, John A.
 Hooper, George M.
 Jaques, Alden P.
 Kearn, George H.
 Kendall, Horace M.
 Kennedy, Patrick J.
 Kimball, John W.
 Leary, Edward J.
 Lothrop, J. Q. A.
 Lyons, Henry S.
 Manning, Albert S.
 Martin, James P.
 McCooley, Thomas
 McDonald, Robert H.
 McEnaney, Thomas O.
 Mellen, James H.
 Merrill, John F.
 Miller, Lyman M.
 Monahan, William H.
 Noonan, Thomas L.

Messrs. Norwood, Caleb J.
 O'Mealey, John W.
 O'Neil, John W.
 O'Neill, Thomas F.
 Parkman, Henry
 Pear, Isaac S.
 Perkins, Nathaniel R.
 Perry, George R.
 Pierce, Charles Q.
 Pinkerton, Alfred S.
 Preble, William H.
 Provin, William
 Qua, Francis W.
 Quinn, Andrew
 Quinn, Dennis J.
 Raymond, Samuel M.
 Robinson, Ethan C.
 Robinson, J. Henry
 Rogerson, Wm. B.
 Rugg, Charles P.
 Russell, Alvin D.
 Russell, Irving L.
 Sanger, Chester F.
 Shepard, Charles F.
 Smith, Sidney P.
 Sohler, William D.
 Southwick, Benjamin F.
 Stowe, Elijah B.
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 Symonds, Charles H.
 Thayer, Rufus A.
 Thompson, A. Cranston
 Towne, Joseph L.
 Trull, George W.
 Tyler, Ansel P.
 Walworth, Arthur C.
 Warden, Erskine
 Wardwell, J. Otis
 Ware, M. Everett
 Wharton, William F.

Yeas, 36 ; nays, 107.

On this question, Messrs. Henry of Fall River, Babbitt of Berkley, Backup of Boston, Quincy of Quincy, Woods of Boston, Finney of Plymouth, Wilkinson of Cambridge, Brigham of Marlborough, Clark of Natick, Gracey of Salem, Witt of Boston, Stimpson of Swamp-

scott, McDonough of Boston and McEttrick of Boston, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired, respectively, with Messrs. Conwell of Provincetown, Plaisted of Worcester, O'Brien of Hopkinton, Holman of Clinton, Sullivan of Boston, Lally of Milford, Read of Cambridge, Brooks of Springfield, Church of Cambridge, Sanford of Boston, Knox of Chester, Dunlea of Boston, Lovell of Boston and Seavey of Medway.

The Bill prohibiting voting by minors in religious societies and churches incorporated under the laws of this Commonwealth was read a third time, and, pending the question on engrossment, it was, on motion of Mr. Dresser of Medford, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

The Bill providing for the compensation of the commissioner of the new bridge between the cities of Boston and Cambridge, who will be appointed by the mayors of said cities, was read a third time and considered. Pending amendments, moved by Messrs. Story of Gloucester and Parkman of Boston, it was, on motion of Mr. Close of Cambridge, postponed for further consideration until Friday next.

At five minutes past five o'clock, adjourned.

TUESDAY, April 24, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Remonstrance Presented.

By Mr. Bottum of Northampton, remonstrance of A. L. Williston and others against any change in the charter of the Cooley Dickinson Hospital. Placed on file.

Cooley Dickinson Hospital.

Hour of Meeting.

On motion of Mr. Collison of Boston, —

Voted, That when the House adjourns to-day it be to meet on Thursday next at 11 o'clock A.M.

Hour of meeting.

Orders.

The following order, offered by Mr. Quincy of Quincy, was adopted, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence:—

Ordered, That the committee on Labor consider the expediency of amending any laws relating to the construction or inspection of buildings in the city of Boston, or the means of escape therefrom in case of fire; also of further legislation in reference thereto.

Fire escapes on buildings in the city of Boston.

The following order, offered by Mr. Fisk of Boston, was adopted and sent up for concurrence:—

Ordered, That the joint special committee on Water Supply and Drainage be authorized to make their final report at such date later than Friday, April 27, as they may deem expedient.

Joint special committee on Water Supply and Drainage.

The following order, offered by Mr. Hall of Taunton, was, at his request, laid over until Thursday:—

Ordered, That all matters on the table on Monday, April 30, be taken from the table and placed in the orders of the day for Tuesday, May 1.

Matters on the table.

Taken from the Table.

On motions of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, the Bill (on leave) to provide for the appointment of two assistants to

Assistants to the Attorney General.

the Attorney-General was taken from the table, and, pending the question on its rejection as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary, was placed in the orders of the day and postponed for further consideration until Thursday.

Fines and deductions of pay for imperfect work.

On motions of the same gentleman, the report of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation forbidding the imposition of fines, or other deduction of pay, for imperfect work, by any corporation chartered by or doing business in this Commonwealth, was taken from the table and was placed in the orders of the day and postponed for further consideration until Thursday.

On motions of the same gentleman, the following order was taken from the table and was indefinitely postponed : —

Joint committees visiting outside of the Commonwealth.

Ordered, That any permission or authority heretofore or hereafter extended to any joint committee to "visit such places as they may deem necessary in the discharge of their duties," shall not extend or be construed to extend to any visit or travel outside the Commonwealth.

John M. Berry, — proportional representation in the Legislature.

On motion of the same gentleman, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John M. Berry for legislation enabling the people to get proportional representation in the Legislature, was taken from the table and was accepted.

Abolishment of the death penalty.

On motion of the same gentleman, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the abolishment of the death penalty and to remove the pardoning power from the Governor in similar cases, was taken from the table and was accepted.

Taxation of property outside of the State, but owned by citizens of the State.

On motion of the same gentleman, the report of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the law concerning taxation of property and franchises outside of this State, but owned by citizens of the Commonwealth, was taken from the table, and, on motion of Mr. Raymond of Somerville, it was placed in the orders of the day and postponed for further consideration until Monday next.

Tax on deposits in savings banks.

On motions of the same gentleman, the report of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the tax on deposits in savings

banks, was taken from the table and was placed in the orders of the day and postponed for further consideration until Thursday.

(On motions of the same gentleman, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to such legislation as will permit the opening of barber shops within reasonable hours on the Lord's day, and a petition relative to the subject, was taken from the table and was placed in the orders of the day and postponed for further consideration until Thursday.

Opening of
barber shops
on the Lord's
Day.

On motion of the same gentleman, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the retail sale of tobacco, cigars and articles of food on the Lord's day, was taken from the table and was placed in the orders of the day and postponed for further consideration until Thursday.

Sale of tobacco,
cigars and
articles of food
on the Lord's
Day.

On motion of the same gentleman, the report of the committee on Public Service, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to equalizing or re-establishing the salaries of the justices and clerks of the several police and district courts within the Commonwealth, was taken from the table and was accepted, in concurrence.

Salaries of the
justices and
clerks of police
and district
courts.

On motions of Mr. Wadlin of Reading, the report of the committee on Education, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology for the aid of the Commonwealth, was taken from the table and was placed in the orders of the day and postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, May 9, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Massachusetts
Institute of
Technology.

On motions of Mr. Keane of Holyoke, the report of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Patrick O'Connor and others, tour-workers in paper mills, for such legislation as will reduce the hours of labor to 65 1-2 hours per week, and petitions in aid of the same, was taken from the table and was placed in the orders of the day and postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, May 8, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Hours of labor
of tour-workers
in paper mills.

On motion of Mr. Symonds of Salem, the Bill to punish the sending of women and girls to houses of ill-fame and their detention therein was taken from the table. Pend

Penalty for
sending women
and girls to
houses of ill-
fame.

ing amendments moved by Mr. Mellen of Worcester, and pending the main question on the engrossment of the bill, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, placed in the orders of the day and postponed for further consideration until Thursday.

Vagrants.

On motions of the same gentleman, the report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so far amending chapter 207 of the Public Statutes, and particularly sections 29, 30, 36 and 42 thereof, as will establish a maximum and a minimum sentence for such offences as are therein described, was taken from the table and was placed in the orders of the day and postponed for further consideration until Monday next.

Cooley Dickinson Hospital.

On motions of Mr. Bottum of Northampton, the Bill to amend the charter of the Cooley Dickinson Hospital was taken from the table, and, pending the question on its engrossment, was placed in the orders of the day and postponed for further consideration until Thursday.

**Athol, Spencer and Amesbury,
— water-gas.**

On motions of Mr. Morey of Lowell, the Bill to authorize the towns of Athol, Spencer and Amesbury to license the manufacture and distribution of illuminating gas containing more than ten per cent. of carbonic oxide was taken from the table and was postponed for further consideration until Wednesday, May 2, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Powers and duties of trustees of free public libraries, or of free public libraries and reading-rooms in towns.

On motion of Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, the Bill concerning the election and the powers and duties of trustees of free public libraries, or of free public libraries and reading-rooms in towns, was taken from the table. Pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on motion of the same gentleman, placed at the foot of the orders of the day for to-day.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

Indexes of the Public Statutes.

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to collating and reprinting the indexes of the Public Statutes of the Commonwealth prior to the Revised Statutes ; and

Governor's Address, — courts.

Of the same committee, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's Address as relates to the courts ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Thursday.

Bills :

To authorize the city of Brockton to provide for surface drainage, and to improve the brooks and natural streams within the limits of said city (reported on a petition) ; and

Brockton,
drainage.

Changing the boundary line between the city of New Bedford and the town of Dartmouth, and placing certain cemeteries within the limits of New Bedford (reported on a petition) ;

City of New
Bedford,—town
of Dartmouth.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

A Resolution relative to the immigration and importation into the United States of convicts, lunatics, idiots and other persons liable to become a public charge, adopted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on concurring with the Senate in its adoption.

Immigration of
convicts, insane,
idiotic and
paupers of other
lands.

The House Bill prescribing uniform dockets and blanks in police and district courts and for trial justices, passed to be engrossed by the House, came down from the Senate, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Wharton of Boston, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Uniform dock-
ets and blanks in
police and dis-
trict courts and
for trial justices.

Notice was received from the Senate that the House Bill to amend an act to secure greater care in the transmission of telegraphic messages had been rejected by that branch.

Transmission of
telegraphic
messages.

Petitions of C. M. Fisher and others and Engine Company No. 2 of Revere, — severally, in aid of the petition of John E. Fitzgerald and others for an annual appropriation for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association; to aid firemen injured while in the discharge of their duties, were severally referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Massachusetts
State Firemen's
Association.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, leave to withdraw, on the petition of S. E. Sewall and others for further legislation to improve the legal condition of married women.

Legal condition
of married
women.

By Mr. Wadlin of Reading, from the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order (recommended) relative to preventing the acquisition of rights of

Rights of way
by prescription
across railroads.

way by prescription upon land occupied by railroad companies.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Thursday.

Final settlement of estates in which are interested persons who have been absent for twenty years or some other fixed time.

By Mr. McCall of Winchester, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the order relating to final settlement of estates in which are interested persons who have been absent or unheard of for twenty years or some other fixed time, and recommending that the subject-matter thereof be referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Read and accepted.

Report of Commissioners of Prisons, — punishment of females for drunkenness.

By Mr. Butler of Georgetown, from the committee on Prisons, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of that part of the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons which relates to the punishment of females for a second offence of drunkenness, and recommending that the same be referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Report of Commissioners of Prisons, — water supply for the Massachusetts Reformatory.

By Mr. Fisher of Grafton, from the same committee, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of that part of the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons which relates to a water supply for the Massachusetts Reformatory, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Water Supply.

Severally read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

Agreements to make wills of real and personal estate.

By Mr. Sohier of Beverly, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on an order, a Bill in relation to agreements to make wills of real and personal estate.

Massachusetts Agricultural Experiment Station.

By Mr. Brigham of Marlborough, from the committee on Agriculture, on an order, a Bill to increase the number of the members of the board of control of the Massachusetts Agricultural Experiment Station.

Danger signals upon railroads.

By Mr. Wadlin of Reading, from the committee on Railroads, on an order, a Bill relating to danger signals upon railroads.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Woodward of Wakefield, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition (taken from the files of last year), and on an order (recommitted) relative to securing a more perfect record of the volunteer officers

and enlisted men who served in the rebellion, recommending the adoption of the following order: —

Ordered, That a joint special committee be appointed, to consist of five members on the part of the House of Representatives, with such as the Senate may join, to sit during the recess of the Legislature, and consider what legislation is necessary to complete and perfect the records of officers and enlisted men serving from Massachusetts in the army or navy during the war of the rebellion, and the manner of crediting such officers and enlisted men to towns and cities in the Commonwealth. Said committee may for the purpose of its inquiry visit such places as may be deemed necessary, shall hear such evidence as may be submitted after public notice, and shall report in print to the next General Court, not later than February 1, 1889, the results of its inquiry with its recommendation in reference thereto. Said committee shall be provided with a room at the State House, and all necessary stationery and postage by the sergeant-at-arms. The members of said committee shall be allowed their necessary travelling expenses, and shall be paid such compensation as may be determined by the Governor and Council.

Special committee to sit during the recess, — records of officers and enlisted men who served in the war of the rebellion.

Read and placed in the orders of the day for Thursday, the question being on the adoption of the order.

By Mr. Martin of Lynn, from the committee on Military Affairs, on an order, a Bill to establish a naval battalion to be attached to the volunteer militia.

Naval battalion to be attached to the volunteer militia.

By Mr. Hall of Taunton, from the committee on Prisons, on the report of the Commissioners of Prisons on jails and houses of correction, in part, a Bill in relation to clerical assistance for the Commissioners of Prisons.

Commissioners of Prisons, — clerical assistance.

By Mr. Berry of Salem, from the same committee, on the report of the Commissioners of Prisons on jails and houses of correction, in part, a Bill in relation to the salary of the agent for discharged female prisoners.

Commissioners of Prisons, — salary of the agent of discharged female prisoners.

By Mr. Gibson of Chicopee, from the same committee, on the report of the Commissioners of Prisons on jails and houses of correction, in part, a Bill to provide for increasing the amount which may be advanced from the treasury for aiding prisoners discharged from the Massachusetts Reformatory, and to provide for aiding prisoners removed therefrom.

Aiding prisoners discharged from the Massachusetts Reformatory.

Salaries of the
Railroad Com-
missioners.

By Mr. Symonds of Salem, from the committee on Railroads, on orders, a Bill to fix the salaries of the Railroad Commissioners.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Bills Enacted.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Relative to the conditions upon which licenses to sell intoxicating liquors may be granted ;

To authorize the town of Winthrop to construct and maintain a system of sewerage ; and

To amend section 1 of chapter 269 of the Acts of the year 1887 relating to the State Board of Arbitration and Conciliation ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

In relation to the station of the New Haven and Northampton Railroad Company in Whately called Whately Station ; and

To authorize the Boston, Winthrop and Shore Railroad Company to relocate portions of its railroad in the town of Winthrop ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders.

Inland fisheries.

On motion of Mr. Symonds of Salem, the Bill to amend chapter ninety-one of the Public Statutes relating to inland fisheries was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, laid on the table. Subsequently, on further motions of the same gentleman, it was taken from the table and placed in the orders of the day and postponed for further consideration until Monday.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
Day.

The report of the committee on Public Service, no legislation necessary, on the Fourth Annual Report of the Civil Service Commissioners, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order (recommitted) relative to amending

section 4 of chapter 74 of the Public Statutes in relation to the employment of women and minors in manufacturing establishments, by striking out after the word "exceed" the word "sixty," and inserting in place thereof the words "fifty-eight," was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills:

To provide for the disposal of fees received by city officials; and

Relating to savings banks;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills:

To authorize the city of Boston to pay salaries to members of the board of aldermen of said city;

To regulate the sale of commercial fertilizers (amended as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading); and

Relating to the seizure and disposition of implements and furniture used in the illegal keeping or selling of intoxicating liquors (amended on motion of Mr. Wharton of Boston);

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, the two last-named bills being sent up for concurrence in the amendments.

The Bill to annex a portion of the town of Tewksbury to the city of Lowell was, on motion of Mr. Trull of Tewksbury, postponed for further consideration until Friday next, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

The Bill prohibiting voting by minors in religious societies and churches incorporated under the laws of this Commonwealth was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. Mr. Lyman of Belchertown moved an amendment, which was amended on motion of Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, and, as amended, was adopted, and the bill as amended was rejected by a vote of 46 to 67.

The Bill concerning the election and the powers and duties of trustees of free public libraries, or of free public libraries and reading-rooms in towns, was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Amendments moved by Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester were adopted, and, after debate, the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

At thirteen minutes before one o'clock, adjourned.

THURSDAY, April 26, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petition Presented.

Trustees of the
State Almshouse and
State Farm.

By Mr. Trull of Tewksbury, petition of J. White Belcher, chairman of the Board of Trustees of the State Almshouse and State Farm, for leave to sell certain land at the State Almshouse. Referred to the committee on Public Charitable Institutions and sent up for concurrence.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Wyman of Hyde Park, a Bill to confirm the proceedings of a meeting of the town of Hyde Park. Read and referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence.

Orders.

Committee on
Education.

On motion of Mr. Wilde of Malden, —

Ordered, That the committee on Education be authorized to make their final report at such date later than Friday, April 27, as they may deem expedient.

Committee on
Prisons.

On motion of Mr. Butler of Georgetown, —

Ordered, That the committee on Prisons be allowed until May 15 to report such legislation as they may see fit on so much of the Prison Commissioners' report on the Reformatory Prison for Women as relates to protecting the prison from fire.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Matters on the
table.

The following order, laid over from Wednesday, was adopted : —

Ordered, That all matters on the table on Monday, April 30, be taken from the table and placed in the orders of the day for Tuesday, May 1st.

Each session a
legislative
day.

The following order, offered by Mr. Collison of Boston, was, at his request, laid over till to-morrow : —

Ordered, That on and after Tuesday, May 1, each session of the House shall constitute a legislative day, that

the hour of meeting in the afternoon shall be two o'clock, and that whenever the House shall be in session at a quarter before one o'clock in the afternoon the Speaker shall declare an adjournment.

Taken from the Table.

On motions of Mr. Lovell of Boston, the report of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to a Board of Public Works for the city of Boston, was taken from the table and was placed in the orders of the day and postponed for further consideration until Thursday, May 3, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Board of Public Works for the city of Boston.

On motions of Mr. Allen of Woburn, the report of the committee on Public Service, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to granting to clerks of police and district courts compensation for absence not exceeding thirty days in any one year, at a rate per day equal to the respective salaries of said clerks, was taken from the table and was placed in the orders of the day and postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

Clerks of police and district courts.

On motions of Mr. McDonough of Boston, the report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of James F. Mullen and others, lot owners in the cemetery belonging to the Boston Catholic Cemetery Association, asking for legislation relating to the management of said association, was taken from the table, and was placed in the orders of the day and postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, May 1, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Boston Catholic Cemetery Association.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Water Supply be granted further time for the consideration of certain matters now before it.

Committee on Water Supply.

Bills :

To authorize the Newburyport Society for the Relief of Aged Females to hold additional real and personal estate (reported on a petition) ;

Newburyport Society for the Relief of Aged Females.

To authorize the town of Marblehead to allow discounts for voluntary payments of taxes (reported on a petition) ; and

Town of Marblehead.

equipment of fire departments with apparatus for the saving of life at fires.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Hopkinton Railroad Company and the Milford and Woonsocket Railroad Company.

By Mr. Wharton of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill to confirm a deed of release from the Hopkinton Railroad Company to the Milford and Woonsocket Railroad Company ought to pass with an amendment.

Report of the State Board of Health on the manufacture and sale of oleomargarine and butterine.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve providing for the printing of fifteen hundred extra copies of the report of the State Board of Health relative to the manufacture and sale of oleomargarine and butterine ought to pass.

Officers of the Massachusetts Reformatory.

By Mr. Dexter of Lowell, from the same committee, that the Bill in relation to the officers of the Massachusetts Reformatory ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

National Prison Association.

By Mr. Willis of New Bedford, from the committee on Prisons, on the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons on Jails and Houses of Correction (in part), a Resolve providing for certain expenses attending the meeting of the National Prison Association, and for the use of the hall of the House of Representatives for the meetings of said association.

Hospital Cottages for Children.

By Mr. Perkins of Winchendon, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of the Hospital Cottages for Children.

House of the Good Shepherd.

By Mr. Hagerty of Boston, from the same committee, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of the House of the Good Shepherd.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

In relation to the officers of the State Prison at Boston; Making an appropriation for the widow of the late John William Bacon ;

To enable the First Congregational Society of Jamaica Plain to make such by-laws as it could make if organized under the general laws ;

To authorize the purchase of additional land for the Reformatory Prison for Women ;

To regulate the shooting of black duck in Plymouth harbor or bay;

Relating to estates tail; and

To change the name of the Manufacturers' Loan and Trust Company and to grant it additional powers;

(Which severally originated in the House); and

To limit the time within which trout, landlocked salmon and lake trout may be taken in Berkshire County;

To enlarge the powers of the Stoughton Fire District;

To establish the salaries of the justices of the Supreme Judicial Court and of the justices of the Superior Court;

Relating to costs on search-warrants issued under the liquor laws.

To authorize the Boston Heating Company to increase its capital stock; and

Relating to the report of the controller of the accounts of county officers, officers of inferior courts and trial justices;

(Which severally originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Gile of Worcester, the Bill to regulate the hours of labor of conductors and drivers upon street railways was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending amendments moved by Messrs. Sanger of Cambridge, Quincy of Quincy, Wharton of Boston, and Whitchee of Stoneham, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on further motion of Mr. Gile, postponed for further consideration until Tuesday, May 1, to be placed third in the orders of the day for that day.

Hours of labor of conductors and drivers on street railways.

Orders of the Day.

Reports:

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to such legislation as will permit the opening of barber shops within reasonable hours on the Lord's day, and a petition relative to the subject;

Orders of the Day.

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the retail sale of tobacco, cigars and articles of food on the Lord's day; and

Of the committee on Probate and Insolvency, leave to withdraw, on the petition of S. E. Sewall and others for further legislation to improve the legal condition of married women ;

Were severally accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation forbidding the imposition of fines, or other deduction of pay, for imperfect work, by any corporation chartered by or doing business in this Commonwealth ; and

Of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to increasing the tax on deposits in savings banks ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on the order relative to collating and reprinting the indexes of the Public Statutes of the Commonwealth prior to the Revised Statutes was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To increase the number of the members of the Board of Control of the Massachusetts Agricultural Experiment Station ;

In relation to agreements to make wills of real and personal estate ;

Relating to danger signals upon railroads ;

To authorize the city of Brockton to provide for surface drainage, and to improve the brooks and natural streams within the limits of said city ; and

Changing the boundary line between the city of New Bedford and the town of Dartmouth, and placing certain cemeteries within the limits of New Bedford ;

Severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To provide for the disposal of fees received by city officials ; and

Relating to the division of the net profits of savings banks (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to fix the tenure of office of the members of the police force of the city of Worcester was ordered to a third reading.

The order relative to the appointment of a joint special committee, to consist of five members on the part of the House of Representatives, with such as the Senate may join, to sit during the recess of the Legislature, and consider what legislation is necessary to complete and perfect the records of officers and enlisted men serving from Massachusetts in the army or navy during the war of the rebellion, and the manner of crediting such officers and enlisted men to towns and cities in the Commonwealth, was considered. Mr. Wharton of Boston moved an amendment, pending which, further consideration of the order was postponed until to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Symonds of Salem.

The report of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order (recommitted) relative to preventing the acquisition of rights of way by prescription upon land occupied by railroad companies, was, on motion of Mr. Symonds of Salem, postponed for further consideration until Monday next.

The report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's Address as relates to the courts, was, on motion of Mr. Wharton of Boston, laid on the table.

The Resolution relative to the immigration and importation into the United States of convicts, lunatics, idiots and other persons liable to become a public charge was adopted, in concurrence, as follows:—

Whereas, His Excellency the Governor, in a message to the Senate and House of Representatives, for good and sufficient reasons has requested that Congress be memorialized for a modification of existing laws, which will more effectually prevent the immigration and importation into the United States of convicts, lunatics, idiots and other persons liable to become a public charge;

Resolved, That the accompanying memorial, addressed to the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives in Congress assembled, be signed by the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives, and that the Secretary of the Commonwealth is hereby instructed to transmit copies to the presiding officers of both

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houses of Congress, to the senators and members of Congress from this Commonwealth, and to the governors of the several States of the Republic.

MEMORIAL.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives in Congress assembled:—

The Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, in General Court assembled, present this memorial:—

The act of Congress regulating immigration, passed 1882, and amended 1884, forbids the landing of convicts, lunatics, idiots or any other person liable to become a public charge, and provides for the return of all convicts arriving at any port of the United States, except those convicted of political offences, to the countries from which they came.

From testimony submitted to a committee of this Legislature it is evident that, notwithstanding these enactments, convicts are released from penal institutions in Great Britain and Germany, before the expiration of their terms of sentence, upon the condition of their accepting a passage ticket to this country or to Canada; that persons who have received relief from public charity, or who are likely to ask for such relief, are also sent to this country; that a few, through the vigilance of the immigration officers, are detected and returned; but that by falsehood, subterfuge, assistance of interested parties, and by being in possession of prepaid tickets to some interior town or city, large numbers succeed in evading the law, especially when the immigrant is accompanied by a relative or volunteer friend who has once been in the United States, and who is ready to vouch for the good character and the ability of the immigrant to earn a livelihood.

It is plain that any examination, conducted with the utmost vigilance on the part of the immigration officer, of one thousand or more passengers at the gangway of a steamship, at the best can only be superficial, and that convicts, who by their vocation of crime have habituated themselves to evade the law and deceive detectives, in many instances are able to effect a landing.

It is an indisputable and well-established fact that con-

victs are not only released from prison, but that they are transported to this country either at the expense of foreign governments or by associations acting in concert with the officials, who, in disregard of international comity, violate the laws of the United States, thus imposing their burdens upon the people of this country—a procedure which should awaken the just indignation of every American citizen, and which calls for remedial legislation.

The reports of the public institutions of this Commonwealth show a marked disproportion between the native and foreign born inmates, — the foreign born receiving public charity being 60 per cent., a very large proportion of whom have arrived in this country at a comparatively recent date. In other States, especially those that have received large accessions from Great Britain, the increase of foreign born in the charitable institutions is equally disproportionate to the native born.

In one of the reputable literary reviews for the month of March, 1888, it is stated that nearly every pauper from Great Britain was assisted to this country either by governmental aid or by so-called philanthropic associations.

The transportation of the improvident and thriftless classes to other countries is openly advocated as a measure of philanthropy in an article published in a reputable literary review in London, January, 1888 : —

“There is no wider field of work for the philanthropist than this : let each benevolent person take up one thriftless family as a special charge, and assist emigration. Care must be taken to provide a friend on the other side, for the thriftless do not lose their thriftlessness on the voyage, and a good start in the new home is invaluable.”

In 1882, and again in 1883, by acts of Parliament, one million dollars was appropriated to assist emigration from Great Britain; coincident with that legislation, and with assistance by philanthropic effort in that country, is a marked increase in the disproportion between those of native and foreign birth in the prisons, almshouses and asylums for the insane throughout the United States.

Of paupers in the almshouses of the United States in 1880, there was one in 986 of the native born inhabitants to one in 291 of the foreign born. Of the criminals in prisons and workhouses, there was one in 938 of the native born inhabitants of the country to one in 518 of

foreign birth. Of the inmates of insane asylums, there was one in 662 of the native born population to one in 254 of the foreign born.

From an examination of the reports of the public institutions in several of the States, the evidence seems to be conclusive that the disproportion between the native and foreign born inmates of those institutions is much greater than that reported by the Census of 1880.

To the end, therefore, that the people of this Republic may be protected from the evils and burdens resulting from the importation of convicts, paupers, idiots, insane and the thriftless of other countries, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, with this memorial, asks for such amendment of existing laws as shall effectually exclude these classes of immigrants.

The Bill to punish the sending of women and girls to houses of ill-fame and their detention therein was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. The pending amendment, moved by Mr. Mellen of Worcester, to strike out, in line 9 of section 1, the word "or" and insert in place thereof the word "and," was withdrawn by that gentleman, there being no objection. Pending amendments moved by Mr. Mellen, and amendments moved by Messrs. Wardwell of Haverhill and Symonds of Salem, were adopted, and, after debate, the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill (on leave) to provide for the appointment of two assistants to the Attorney-General was rejected, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary.

The Bill to amend the charter of the Cooley Dickinson Hospital was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. After debate, it was indefinitely postponed, on motion of Mr. Gordon of New Bedford.

At twenty minutes before two o'clock, adjourned.

FRIDAY, April 27, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Mr. Dowse, Chaplain of the Senate.

Report Received.

The seventeenth annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons was received, and was referred to the committee on Prisons and sent up for concurrence.

Next General Court.

By Mr. Leach of Boston, petition of J. F. Williams and others for an amendment to the law for the protection of fish, game birds and animals. Referred, under the 12th Joint Rule, to the next General Court, the House having refused to suspend the rule.

Protection of fish, game birds and animals.

Reconsideration.

On motion of Mr. Milliken of Malden, the vote whereby the House, yesterday, accepted the report of the committee on Probate and Insolvency, leave to withdraw, on the petition of S. E. Sewall and others for further legislation to improve the legal condition of married women, was reconsidered. Pending the recurring question on the acceptance of the report, it was, on motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Monday.

Legal condition of married women.

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, the vote whereby the House, yesterday, ordered to a third reading the Bill to fix the tenure of office of the members of the police force of the city of Worcester, was reconsidered. Mr. Mellen raised certain points of order, pending which, and pending the recurring question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Mellen, postponed for further consideration until Monday next.

Tenure of office of members of the police force of the city of Worcester.

Orders.

The following order, offered by Mr. Milne of Fall River, was considered:—

Ordered, That the committee on Banks and Banking be granted further time in which to report upon matters before it.

Committee on Banks and Banking.

Mr. Sobier of Beverly moved to amend by striking out the words "further time" and inserting in place thereof

the words "until May 8." The amendment was adopted, and the order, as amended, was adopted.

Committee on
Cities.

On motion of Mr. Parkman of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Cities be allowed until May 8 to report on the following matters now pending before it: —

1. City charter for Woburn.
2. General order relative to the division of cities into wards.
3. Revision of the charter of the city of Lawrence.
4. Petition of city of Boston for authority to borrow money outside of debt limit for the purchase of park lands.
5. Amendment of laws relating to the trustees of Mount Hope Cemetery.
6. Petition of Overseers of the Poor of the city of Boston for authority to hold additional funds (referred to the committee, April 23, under suspension of 12th Joint Rule).
7. Amendment of charter of Malden.

Committee on
Drainage.

On motion of Mr. Witcher of Stoneham, —

Ordered, That the committee on Drainage be authorized to report on the petition of the selectmen of Plymouth for authority to lay sewers on or before May 8.

The following order, offered by Mr. Story of Gloucester, was considered: —

Committee on
Harbors and
Public Lands.

Ordered, That the committee on Harbors and Public Lands be allowed further time in which to report on the petition of the Gardner Electric Company to have leave to improve certain portions of Crystal Lake in the town of Gardner.

Mr. Sobier of Beverly moved to amend by striking out the words "further time" and inserting in place thereof the words "until May 8." The amendment was adopted, and the order, as amended, was adopted.

Committee on
Labor.

On motion of Mr. Quincy of Quincy, —

Ordered, That the committee on Labor be allowed until Friday, May 4, to report upon matters still in its hands.

Committee on
Railroads.

On motion of Mr. Wadlin of Reading, —

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads be allowed until May 8 to report on matters referred to it.

On motion of Mr. Floyd of Winthrop, —

Ordered, That the committee on Taxation be allowed until Wednesday, May 2, to report upon matters still in its hands. Committee on Taxation.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

The order laid over from yesterday was adopted as follows : —

Ordered, That on and after Tuesday, May 1st, each session of the House shall constitute a legislative day, that the hour of meeting in the afternoon shall be two o'clock, and that whenever the House shall be in session at a quarter before one o'clock in the afternoon the Speaker shall declare an adjournment. Each session a legislative day.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order came down from the Senate : —

Ordered, That the committee on Public Charitable Institutions be granted further time for the consideration of matters now before it. Committee on Public Charitable Institutions.

Mr. Sohler of Beverly moved to amend by striking out the words "further time" and inserting in place thereof the words "until May 8." The amendment was adopted, and the order as amended was adopted, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

The following order came down from the Senate : —

Ordered, That the committee on Street Railways be granted further time for the consideration of matters pertaining to elevated railroads now before it. Committee on Street Railways.

Mr. Dresser of Medford moved to amend by striking out the words "further time" and inserting in place thereof the words "until May 8," also by inserting after the word "railroads" the words "and the petition of citizens of Southbridge for an act of incorporation as a street railway company." The amendments were adopted, and the order as amended was adopted, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendments.

Reports :

Of the committee on Drainage, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the report of the commission appointed to consider a general system of drainage for the valleys of Mystic, Blackstone and Charles rivers as has not already been reported upon (taken from the files of last year) ; and Drainage for the valleys of Mystic, Blackstone and Charles rivers.

Catching of trout.

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles E. Hibbard and others for an amendment of the laws relating to the catching of trout, the shooting of game birds and for the better preservation of game birds and fish, and a petition in aid thereof;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Eastern Railroad Company.

A report of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw for want of proper notice, on the petition of the Eastern Railroad Company for legislation that will require the trustees of the sinking fund of said company to furnish bonds with sureties, and also that said sinking fund be invested and applied in accordance with the provisions of chapter 236 of the Acts of 1876, came down from the Senate recommitted to the committee on Railroads, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct. The House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Wadlin of Reading, and the report was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Bills :

Pickerei.

Authorizing towns to regulate the catching of pickerei (reported on an order) ; and

Removal of bodies of deceased persons.

Relating to the certificates and registry of deaths, and to the burial and removal of bodies of deceased persons (being a new draft of a bill introduced on leave in the House) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

State Normal School at Worcester.

A Resolve providing for certain improvements at the State Normal School at Worcester (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Taken from the Table.

Annexation of a part of Hanson to Whitman.

On motion of Mr. Pratt of Abington, the report of the committee on Towns, leave to withdraw, on the petitions of Horace Reed and others that part of the town of Hanson may be annexed to the town of Whitman, was taken from the table and was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation concerning the rights and liabilities of husband and wife.

Rights and liabilities of husband and wife.

By Mr. Brigham of Marlborough, from the committee on Agriculture, no legislation necessary, on the report of the examining committee of the State Board of Agriculture on the Massachusetts Agricultural College.

Report of the examining committee of the State Board of Agriculture on the Massachusetts Agricultural College.
Report of the Cattle Commissioners.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, no legislation necessary, on the annual report of the Cattle Commissioners.

Report of the Trustees of the Massachusetts Agricultural College.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, no further legislation necessary, on the report of the Trustees of the Massachusetts Agricultural College.

By Mr. Witt of Boston, from the committee on Banks and Banking, no further legislation necessary, on the annual report of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks.

Report of the Commissioners of Savings Banks.

By Mr. Monahan of Boston, from the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to determining the residence of voters, the assessment of poll taxes and the preparation of voting lists.

Residence of voters, assessment of poll taxes, and preparation of voting lists.

By Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, from the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw, on the petition (taken from the files of last year) of the New England Commercial Travellers' Association for authority to accumulate a reserve fund.

New England Commercial Travellers' Association.

By Mr. Henry of Fall River, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to further legislation in reference to the amount and manner of the expenditures of beneficiary associations for insurance.

Expenditures of beneficiary associations for insurance.

By Mr. Wiley of Hardwick, from the committee on Manufactures, no legislation necessary, on the report of the Gas Inspector.

Report of the Gas Inspector.

By Mr. Woodward of Wakefield, from the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to provide that no location or alteration or revocation of location of a street railway shall hereafter be valid unless approved by the Railroad Commissioners.

Locations of street railways.

By Mr. Nelson of Lakeville, from the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to

Taxation of personal property.

taxing more personal property; on the advisability and methods of taxing any personal property now exempt, and of securing equal and complete taxation of chattels now taxable.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Uniformity in security given on appeals in process for the recovery of lands.

By Mr. Pratt of Abington, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill in relation to bonds on appeal in actions for the summary process for the recovery of land.

Auditors in probate courts.

By Mr. Griswold of Greenfield, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, on an order, a Bill to provide for the appointment of auditors in probate courts.

Taking the vote on the question of granting liquor licenses.

By Mr. Sanford of Boston, from the committee on Election Laws, on two orders, a Bill to provide for taking the vote upon the question of granting liquor licenses in towns and for taking such vote in cities in the year eighteen hundred and eighty-eight.

Shepard Thayer.

By Mr. Bottum of Northampton, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Resolve to confirm the acts of Shepard Thayer as a notary public.

Erection and construction of certain buildings.

By Mr. Quincy of Quincy, from the committee on Labor, on an order, in part, a Bill to regulate the erection and construction of certain buildings.

Board of Gas Commissioners.

By Mr. Hill of Spencer, from the committee on Manufactures, on the third annual report of the Board of Gas Commissioners, a Bill in addition to an act to establish a Board of Gas Commissioners, approved June 11, 1885.

By-laws of religious societies.

By Mr. Lyman of Belchertown, from the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, that the Bill (recommended) to enable the First Parish, West Roxbury, to make by-laws the same as if organized under the Public Statutes, ought to pass in a new draft, with the title, "Bill to enable incorporated religious societies to adopt by-laws."

Release of prisoners from the Massachusetts Reformatory.

By Mr. Thompson of Lowell, from the committee on Prisons, on the annual report of the Commissioners on the Massachusetts Reformatory, in part, a Bill in relation to the release of prisoners from the Massachusetts Reformatory.

Board of Railroad Commissioners, — selectmen of Wareham and the Onset Street Railway Company.

By Mr. E. J. Donovan of Boston, from the committee on Street Railways, that the Bill to authorize the Board of Railroad Commissioners to hear and determine matters of difference between the selectmen of Wareham and the Onset Street Railway Company ought to pass in a new

draft, with the title "Bill to authorize the Board of Railroad Commissioners to grant the Onset Street Railway Company certain rights after certain findings." [Mr. Tucker, of the Senate, and Messrs. Dresser of Medford and Gunn of Boston, of the House, dissenting.]

By Mr. Floyd of Winthrop, from the committee on **Taxation**, on the report of the Deputy Tax Commissioner on the revision and codification of the existing laws relating to the collection of taxes and other assessments, a Bill to amend and codify the statutes relating to the collection of taxes. Collection of taxes.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Wharton of Boston, from the joint committee **Hyde Park**, on the Judiciary, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to confirm the proceedings of a meeting of the town of Hyde Park ought to pass. On motion of Mr. Wyman of Hyde Park, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence, Rule 15 having also been suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

By Mr. Hartwell of Ayer, from the committee on **Finance**, that the Bill to re-establish the salaries of the matrons, deputy-matrons and assistant matrons in the Reformatory Prison for Women ought to pass. Reformatory Prison for Women.

By Mr. Kimball of Northampton, from the same committee, that the Bill to provide for increasing the amount which may be advanced from the treasury for aiding prisoners discharged from the Massachusetts Reformatory, and to provide for aiding prisoners removed therefrom, ought to pass. Aiding prisoners discharged from the Massachusetts Reformatory.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the same committee, that the Bill in relation to clerical assistance for the Commissioners of Prisons ought to pass. Clerical assistance for the Commissioners of Prisons.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, from the same committee, that the Bill in relation to the salary of the Agent for Discharged Female Prisoners ought to pass. Salary of the Agent for Discharged Female Prisoners.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, from the same committee, that the Resolve providing for certain repairs and improvements at the State House and at the Commonwealth Building ought to pass. Repairs and improvements at the State House and Commonwealth Building.

By Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, from the same committee, that the Resolve providing for certain expenses attending the meeting of the National Prison Association, National Prison Association.

and for the use of the hall of the House of Representatives for the meetings of said association, ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

Maintenance of
draw-bridges
over Charles
River.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill providing for the appointment of three commissioners to inquire into the maintenance of draw-bridges over the Charles River ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

Armories for
the militia.

By Mr. Woodward of Wakefield, from the committee on Military Affairs, on two orders on petitions and on the report of the joint special committee of the General Court of 1887 on armories for the use of the militia, and petitions, a Bill to provide armories for the Massachusetts Volunteer Militia.

Approval of
bills contracted
for the State
Prison, Massa-
chusetts Re-
formatory and
Reformatory
Prison for
Women.
Labor of
prisoners.

By Mr. Hall of Taunton, from the committee on Prisons, on the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons, in part, a Bill in relation to the approval of bills contracted for the State Prison, the Massachusetts Reformatory and the Reformatory Prison for Women.

By Mr. Fisher of Grafton, from the same committee, on the annual report of the General Superintendent of Prisons, together with so much of the Governor's Address as relates to convict labor, a Bill in relation to the labor of prisoners.

Massachusetts
Reformatory.

By Mr. Willis of New Bedford, from the same committee, on the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons on the Massachusetts Reformatory, in part, a Resolve to provide for the purchase of horses and cows for the Massachusetts Reformatory, and for certain repairs at said institution.

Pollution of
ponds and
streams from
which ice is cut
for domestic
use.

By Mr. Miller of Needham, from the committee on Public Health, that the Resolve (recommitted) providing for an investigation of the pollution of ponds and streams from which ice is cut for domestic use ought to pass in a new draft with the same title.

Town of
Florida.

By Mr. Morton of West Boylston, from the committee on Roads and Bridges, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of the town of Florida.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

*Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.***Engrossed bills:**

To provide for the widening of the draws in the two bridges across Neponset River, known as the Neponset Avenue Bridge and the Granite Avenue Bridge; Bills enacted.

Relating to clerical assistance in the office of the register of probate and insolvency for the county of Suffolk;

To confirm the proceedings of the last annual town meeting of the town of Southampton;

Prescribing uniform dockets and blanks in police and district courts and for trial justices;

Fixing the time when final reports by auditors, masters in chancery and special masters shall be filed;

To confirm the proceedings of a meeting of the town of Hyde Park; and

Relating to liquor license bonds;

(Which severally originated in the House);

To authorize the city of Boston to pay salaries to members of the Board of Aldermen of said city:

To regulate the running of the cars of one street railway company over the tracks of another; and

To establish the salary of the district attorney for the Southeastern District, and to provide for the appointment of a temporary assistant to the district attorney;

(Which severally originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Resolve Passed.

An engrossed Resolve granting county taxes (which originated in the House) was passed, signed, and sent to the Senate. Resolve passed.

*Orders of the Day.***Reports:**

Of the committee on Agriculture, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the New England Milk Producers' Union for an act of incorporation for the purpose of buying, selling or manufacturing milk into butter or cheese; Orders of the Day.

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John A. McLaughlin and others that the city of Boston be authorized to borrow outside the debt limit for the construction of sewers;

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of Edwin O. Childs for a revision

of the charter of the city of Newton, and on an order relative to the same ;

Of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to repealing sections 65 and 66 of chapter 11 of the Public Statutes relating to discount on taxes ; and

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on a petition of the Common Council of the city of Boston for such legislation as will secure a more equitable valuation of the property of the citizens of said city by the assessors ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

In relation to the officers of the Massachusetts Reformatory ;

To authorize the town of Marlborough to construct and maintain a system of sewerage and sewage disposal ;

Concerning the records and annual returns of savings banks ;

To provide for the definition and preservation of town boundary lines ;

Relating to the summoning of jurors to serve in the Supreme Judicial Courts and Superior Courts of this Commonwealth ;

To require the equipment of fire departments with apparatus for the saving of life at fires ;

In relation to bonds of city and town clerks ;

To establish a board of sewer commissioners for the city of Northampton ;

In regard to ballots cast by women in elections for members of school committee ;

To authorize the Newburyport Society for the Relief of Aged Females to hold additional real and personal estate ;

To authorize the town of Marblehead to allow discounts for voluntary payments of taxes ;

Relative to the right of the public to examine the lists of valuation and assessment of cities and towns ; and

To confirm a deed of release from the Hopkinton Railroad Company to the Milford and Woonsocket Railroad Company (amended as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary) ;

In favor of the New England Industrial School for Deaf-Mutes ;

Providing for a new building and for certain repairs at the Lyman School for Boys at Westborough ; and

Providing for the printing of fifteen hundred extra copies of the report of the State Board of Health relative to the manufacture and sale of oleomargarine and butterine ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To increase the number of the members of the Board of Control of the Massachusetts Agricultural Experiment Station ; and

In relation to agreements to make wills of real and personal estate (amended on motion of Mr. Sanger of Cambridge) ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the city of Brockton to provide for surface drainage, and to improve the brooks and natural streams within the limits of said city ;

Changing the boundary line between the city of New Bedford and the town of Dartmouth, and placing certain cemeteries within the limits of New Bedford ; and

Concerning the election and the powers and duties of trustees of free public libraries, or of free public libraries and reading-rooms in towns ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, the last-named bill being sent up for concurrence in the amendments previously adopted by the House.

The Bill providing for the compensation of the commissioner of the new bridge between the cities of Boston and Cambridge, who will be appointed by the mayors of said cities, was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. The pending amendment, moved by Mr. Parkman of Boston, was rejected. The pending amendments, moved by Mr. Story of Gloucester, were adopted, and, after debate, the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, its title also having been amended, on motion of Mr. Brown of Boston, so that it reads " Bill providing for the compensation of the commissioner of the new bridge between the cities of Boston and Cambridge appointed by the mayors of said cities." The bill, as amended, was sent up for concurrence in the amendments.

The Bill to annex a portion of the town of Tewksbury to

the city of Lowell was further considered, and, after debate, was ordered to a third reading by a vote of 40 to 15.

The Bill relating to assessment insurance was read a third time. The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending the adoption of an amendment, pending which, and pending amendments moved by Messrs. Colby of Boston and Pinkerton of Worcester, and pending also the main question on the engrossment of the bill, it was, on motion of Mr. Colby, postponed for further consideration until Wednesday next.

The Bill to amend sections 20 and 22 of chapter 60 of the Public Statutes, relating to weights and measures, was read a third time and considered. The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending as a substitute a "Bill to regulate the sale of apples, beans and peas," which was read, amended on motion of Mr. Whitchee of Stoneham, and, as amended, was substituted, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The order relative to the appointment of a joint special committee to consist of five members on the part of the House of Representatives, with such as the Senate may join, to sit during the recess of the Legislature, and consider what legislation is necessary to complete and perfect the records of officers and enlisted men serving from Massachusetts in the army or navy during the war of the rebellion, and the manner of crediting such officers and enlisted men to towns and cities in the Commonwealth, was further considered. The pending amendment, moved by Mr. Wharton of Boston, was withdrawn by that gentleman, there being no objection, and the order was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relating to danger signals upon railroads was read a third time, and, pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on motion of Mr. Wadlin of Reading, postponed for further consideration until Monday next.

The report of the committee on Public Service, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to granting to clerks of police and district courts compensation for absence not exceeding thirty days in any one year, at a rate per day equal to the respective salaries of said clerks, was, on motion of Mr. Allen of Woburn, postponed for further consideration until Monday next.

At three minutes before four o'clock, adjourned.

MONDAY, April 30, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Remonstrance Presented.

By Mr. Waters of Orange, remonstrance of the Miller's Falls Company and others against the petition of the selectmen of Ashburnham for legislation authorizing the taking of waters from Miller's River.

Miller's Falls
Company,—
Ashburnham
water supply.

Referred to the committee on Water Supply and sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

The following order came down from the Senate :—

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs be granted further time in which to consider matters now before it.

Committee on
Mercantile
Affairs.

Mr. Sohier of Beverly moved to amend by striking out the words "further time" and inserting in place thereof the words "until May 8." The amendment was adopted, and the order, as amended, was adopted, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

The following order came down from the Senate :—

Ordered, That the committee on Public Service be granted further time in which to consider the order now before it relative to increasing the salary of the Auditor of the Commonwealth.

Committee on
Public Service.

Mr. Mellen of Worcester moved to amend by striking out the words "further time" and inserting in place thereof the words "until May 4." The amendment was adopted, and the order, as amended, was adopted, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

The following order came down from the Senate :—

Ordered, That the committee on Railroads be granted further time in which to consider matters now before it.

Committee on
Railroads.

Mr. Sohier of Beverly moved to amend by striking out the words "further time" and inserting in place thereof the words "until May 8." The amendment was adopted, and the order, as amended, was adopted, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

Committee on
State House.

The following order came down from the Senate, —
Ordered, That the committee on State House be granted further time in which to consider matters now before it.

Mr. Sohier of Beverly moved to amend by striking out the words "further time" and inserting in place thereof the words "until May 8." The amendment was adopted, and the order, as amended, was adopted, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

Reports :

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, inexpedient to legislate :

Trustees of
savings banks.

On an order relative to so amending section 13 of chapter 116 of the Public Statutes as to limit the number of trustees in savings banks who may also be directors in national banks ; and

Investments of
savings banks.

On an order relative to further legislation relating to the investments of savings banks ;

Armory rents.

Of the committee on Military Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 97 of chapter 411 of the Acts of the year 1887, so as to provide for a more equitable distribution of the sum paid by the State for armory rents ; and .

Additional
conveniences
for the Senate.

Of the committee on State House, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to furnishing additional conveniences for the Senate ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bills :

Consolidation of
gas and electric
light companies.
Quincy.

To authorize the consolidation of gas and electric light companies (reported on a petition) ; and

To incorporate the city of Quincy (reported on a petition) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Joseph W.
White.

A Resolve in favor of the widow of the late Joseph W. White, introduced on leave in the Senate, came down with the endorsement " 12th Joint Rule suspended, and passed to be engrossed, under a suspension of the rules." The House concurred in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and the resolve was read and was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

American
Board of Com-
missioners for
Foreign
Missions.

A petition of Langdon S. Ward, treasurer of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, for additional powers for said Board and for the confirma-

tion of **certain** acts done by it, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Parishes and Religious Societies, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Sohier of Beverly, from the committee on **Insolvency.** Probate and Insolvency, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to further legislation as to what shall constitute an act of insolvency by a corporation mentioned in section 127 of chapter 157 of the Public Statutes.

By Mr. Griswold of Greenfield, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the appointment of special guardians in certain cases. **Appointment of special guardians in certain cases.**

By Mr. Flynn of Boston, from the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to amending Articles XXI. and XXII. of the Amendments to the Constitution concerning the taking of the census of legal voters and inhabitants. **Census of legal voters and inhabitants,—amendments to the Constitution.**

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

By Mr. Fisk of Boston, from the joint special committee on Water Supply and Drainage, on an order relative to providing for a water and drainage commission, in part, recommending the adoption of the following order:—

Ordered, That the joint special committee on Water Supply and Drainage be authorized to report such amendments to chapter two hundred and seventy-four of the Acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-six as they may deem expedient. **Purity of inland waters.**

Read, and, on motion of Mr. Fisk of Boston, the rules were suspended, the report was accepted, and the order was adopted and sent at once to the Senate for concurrence, Rule 15 having been also suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman. (For report see House, No. 455.)

By Mr. Preble of Boston, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to amend chapter 236 of the Acts of the year 1884 relating to composition in insolvency ought not to pass. **Composition in insolvency.**

Composition
with creditors
in insolvency.

By Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill to amend an act relating to composition with creditors in insolvency ought not to pass.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question in each case being on the rejection of the bill.

Returns of
property held
for benevolent,
charitable or
scientific
purposes.

By Mr. Colby of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill to amend chapter 217 of the Acts of the year 1882 relating to returns of property held for benevolent, charitable or scientific purposes. Read and ordered to a second reading.

Discharged from the Orders.

Taxation of
personal
property.

On motions of Mr. Floyd of Winthrop, the report of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to taxing more personal property, and on the advisability and methods of taxing any personal property now exempt, and of securing equal and complete taxation of chattels non-taxable, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was recommitted to the committee on Taxation.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills:

Bills enacted.

To establish the salary of the assistant district attorney for the Eastern District (which originated in the House); and

Relating to the seizure and disposition of implements and furniture used in the illegal keeping or selling of intoxicating liquors; and

Concerning the fees for the pilotage of vessels in and out of Wood's Holl Harbor;

(Which severally originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
Day.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation concerning the rights and liabilities of husband and wife, was accepted.

Reports :

Of the committee on Agriculture, no legislation necessary :

On the report of the examining committee of the State Board of Agriculture on the Massachusetts Agricultural College ; and

On the annual report of the Cattle Commissioners ;

Of the same committee, no further legislation necessary, on the report of the trustees of the Massachusetts Agricultural College ;

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, no further legislation necessary, on the annual report of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks ;

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the laws relative to determining the residence of voters, the assessment of poll taxes and the preparation of voting lists ;

Of the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw, on the petition (taken from the files of last year) of the New England Commercial Travellers' Association for authority to accumulate a reserve fund ;

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to further legislation in reference to the amount and manner of the expenditures of beneficiary associations for insurance ;

Of the committee on Manufactures, no legislation necessary, on the report of the gas inspector ;

Of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order (recommitted) relative to acquiring rights of way across railroads by prescription ;

Of the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation to provide that no location or alteration or revocation of location of a street railway shall hereafter be valid unless approved by the Railroad Commissioners ; and

Of the committee on Taxation, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the law concerning taxation of property and franchises outside of this State, but owned by citizens of the Commonwealth ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles E. Hibbard and others for an amendment of the laws relating to the catching of

trout, the shooting of game birds and the better preservation of game birds and fish, and a petition in aid thereof; and

Of the committee on Drainage, reference to the next General Court, on so much of the report of the commission appointed to consider a general system of drainage for the valleys of Mystic, Blackstone and Charles Rivers as has not already been reported upon (taken from the files of last year);

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills:

To provide for increasing the amount which may be advanced from the treasury for aiding prisoners discharged from the Massachusetts Reformatory, and to provide for aiding prisoners removed therefrom;

In relation to bonds on appeal in actions for the summary process for the recovery of land;

In relation to clerical assistance for the Commissioners of Prisons;

In relation to the release of prisoners from the Massachusetts Reformatory;

To enable incorporated religious societies to adopt by-laws;

To regulate the erection and construction of certain buildings;

In relation to the salary of the agent for discharged female prisoners;

Authorizing towns to regulate the catching of pickerel; and

Relating to the certificates and registry of deaths, and the burial and removal of bodies of deceased persons; and

Resolves:

Providing for certain repairs and improvements at the State House and at the Commonwealth Building;

To confirm the acts of Shepard Thayer as a notary public; and

Providing for certain expenses attending the meeting of the National Prison Association, and for the use of the hall of the House of Representatives for the meetings of said association;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Concerning the records and annual returns of savings banks ;

Relating to the summoning of jurors to serve in the Supreme Judicial Courts and Superior Courts of this Commonwealth ;

To require the equipment of fire departments with apparatus for the saving of life at fires ;

To authorize the town of Marlborough to construct and maintain a system of sewerage and sewage disposal ; and the

Resolve in favor of the New England Industrial School for Deaf-Mutes ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the Newburyport Society for the Relief of Aged Females to hold additional real and personal estate ;

To authorize the town of Marblehead to allow discounts for voluntary payments of taxes ; and

To confirm a deed of release from the Hopkinton Railroad Company to the Milford & Woonsocket Railroad Company ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, the last-named bill being sent up for concurrence in the amendment previously adopted by the House.

The Bill relating to danger signals upon railroads, pending the question on its engrossment, was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Wadlin of Reading.

The report of the committee on Public Service, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to granting to clerks of police and district courts compensation for absence not exceeding thirty days in any one year, at a rate per day equal to the respective salaries of said clerks, was further considered. Mr. Allen of Woburn moved to amend by the substitution of a " Bill to establish the compensation of clerks pro tempore of municipal, police and district courts," which was amended, on motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, and as amended was substituted, and was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to so far amending chapter 207 of the Public Statutes, and particularly sections 29, 30, 36 and 42 thereof, as will establish a maximum and a minimum sentence for such offences as are therein described, was further considered. Mr. Symonds of Salem moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to amend chapter 207 of the Public Statutes relative to sentences for tramps, vagrants and idle and disorderly persons." After debate the amendment was rejected and the report was accepted.

The Bill to amend chapter 91 of the Public Statutes relating to inland fisheries was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. After debate the bill was indefinitely postponed, on motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester.

The report of the committee on Probate and Insolvency, leave to withdraw, on the petition of S. E. Sewall and others for further legislation to improve the legal condition of married women, was placed at the foot of the calendar of to-day, on motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly.

The Bill to fix the tenure of office of the members of the police force of the city of Worcester, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, and pending points of order raised by Mr. Mellen of Worcester, was postponed for further consideration until Thursday next, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day, on motion of Mr. Cheney of Worcester.

The Bill to authorize the Board of Railroad Commissioners to grant the Onset Street Railway Company certain rights after certain findings was read a second time and considered. After debate the bill was ordered to a third reading by a vote of 72 to 36.

At two minutes before five o'clock, adjourned.

TUESDAY, May 1, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Atwood of Boston, —

Ordered, That the committee on Mercantile Affairs is hereby authorized to visit such places outside of the State as is considered necessary in the proper discharge of its duty in deciding questions now pending before it.

Committee on
Mercantile
Affairs.*Papers from the Senate.*

Reports :

Of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of N. M. Jewett and others to allow the city of Boston to tunnel from Boston proper to East Boston ; and

Tunnel from
Boston proper
to East Boston.

Of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order (recommitted) relative to preventing acquiring rights of way across railroads by prescription ;

Rights of way
across railroads
by prescription.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon.

Bills :

Prescribing the minimum fees for liquor licenses (reported on an order), [Mr. Sullivan, of the Senate, and Messrs. Eames of Lawrence, Driscoll of Lynn, McEttrick of Boston and Cronin of Worcester, of the House, dissenting] ; and

Minimum fees
for liquor
licenses.

To enable tenants paying rent for real estate to apply for an abatement of taxes assessed thereon (reported on a petition) ;

Abatement of
taxes.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

The House Bill in relation to the employment of children, passed to be engrossed by the House, came down from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain amendments. Placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendments.

Employment of
children.

Ancient and
Honorable
Artillery
Company.

A Resolve making an appropriation for the firing of a salute on the occasion of the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the organization of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company, came down from the Senate with the endorsement: "11th and 12th Joint Rules suspended." The House concurred in the suspension of the rules, and the resolve was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Boston police.

A petition of the city of Boston that said city be authorized to pay for certain expenses incurred by police officers in defending suits brought against them for acts done in the discharge of their duties, upon the approval of the City Council, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Cities, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Hartford and
Connecticut
Western Rail-
road Company.

Remonstrances of Edwin Brayman and 158 others of Tyngham; Thomas Post and 38 others of Lenox; C. R. Crane and 17 others of Great Barrington; J. W. Adams and others of Stockbridge; William T. Felley and 60 others of Pittsfield; and the Smith Paper Company and 80 others of Lee,—severally, against the petition of the Hartford and Connecticut Western Railroad Company for authority to construct a railroad from the State line between Connecticut and Massachusetts to Springfield, a distance of six miles, were severally referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Railroads.

Reports of Committees.

Hudson.

By Mr. Bottum of Northampton, from the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill to confirm the proceedings of the last annual meeting of the town of Hudson.

Discharge of
persons ap-
pointed under
the civil service
law.

By Mr. Towne of Lynn, from the committee on Public Service, on the third annual report of the Board of Police of the city of Boston, a Bill relative to the discharge of persons appointed under the Civil Service Law.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Summonses in
minor offences.

By Mr. Pratt of Abington, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill relating to the issue of summonses in minor offences ought not to pass. Read, and placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon, the question being on its rejection.

By Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Resolve in favor of the widow of the late Joseph W. White ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon for a second reading.

Joseph W.
White.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To authorize the Boston, Revere Beach and Lynn Railroad Company to increase its terminal facilities in the city of Boston ;

Bills enacted.

Relating to appeals from Probate Courts ;

To authorize the town of Wareham to build a bridge across Swift's Narrows in said town ;

To punish interferences with police signal systems ;

To confirm the proceedings of the last annual town meeting of the town of Brookfield ; and

To amend chapter two hundred and seventy-six of the Acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-six, being an act for the better preservation of birds and game ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To regulate the sale of commercial fertilizers (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Sanford of Boston, the Bill to provide for taking the vote upon the question of granting liquor licenses in towns and for taking such vote in cities in the year 1888 was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, laid on the table.

Taking the vote
upon the ques-
tion of granting
liquor licenses.

On motions of Mr. Collison of Boston, the report of the committee on Probate and Insolvency, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the appointment of special guardians in certain cases, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Special
guardians in
certain cases.

On motions of Mr. Walworth of Newton, the report of the committee on Military Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 97 of

Armory rents.

chapter 411 of the Acts of the year 1887, so as to provide for a more equitable distribution of the sum paid by the State for armory rents, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Courts.

On motions of Mr. Wharton of Boston, the report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's Address as relates to the courts, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Orders of the Day.

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Reports :

Of the joint special committee on Constitutional Amendments, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to amending Articles XXI. and XXII. of the Amendments to the Constitution concerning the taking of the census of legal voters and inhabitants ; and

Of the committee on the Liquor Law, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the forfeiture of implements of sale and furniture used in the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Banks and Banking, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to so amending section 13 of chapter 116 of the Public Statutes as to limit the number of trustees in savings banks who may also be directors in national banks ; and

On an order relative to further legislation relating to the investments of savings banks ; and

Of the committee on State House, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to furnishing additional conveniences for the Senate ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To re-establish the salaries of the matrons, deputy matrons and assistant matrons in the Reformatory Prison for Women ;

To amend and codify the statutes relating to the collection of taxes ;

To amend chapter 217 of the Acts of the year 1882, relating to returns of property held for benevolent, charitable or scientific purposes; and

To establish the compensation of clerks pro tempore of municipal, police and district courts;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

In relation to bonds of city and town clerks;

To annex a portion of the town of Tewksbury to the city of Lowell;

To provide for increasing the amount which may be advanced from the treasury for aiding prisoners discharged from the Massachusetts Reformatory, and to provide for aiding prisoners removed therefrom;

In relation to bonds on appeal in actions for the summary process for the recovery of land;

In relation to clerical assistance for the Commissioners of Prisons;

To regulate the erection and construction of certain buildings; and

In relation to the salary of the agent for discharged female prisoners; and

Resolves :

Providing for the printing of fifteen hundred extra copies of the report of the State Board of Health relative to the manufacture and sale of oleomargarine and butterine;

To confirm the acts of Shepard Thayer as a notary public; and

Providing for certain expenses attending the meeting of the National Prison Association, and for the use of the hall of the House of Representatives for the meetings of said association;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

Relative to the right of the public to examine the lists of valuation and assessment of cities and towns; and

Relating to the certificates and registry of deaths, and the burial and removal of bodies of deceased persons;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill (on leave) to amend chapter 236 of the Acts of the year 1884 relating to composition in insolvency; and the

Bill to amend an act relating to composition with creditors in insolvency;

Were severally rejected, as recommended in each case by the committee on Probate and Insolvency, and notice was sent to the Senate in the case of the last-named bill.

Point of order.

The Bill to prevent deception in the manufacture and sale of butter was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. On the point of order raised by Mr. Dresser of Medford that the bill is not properly before the House for the following reasons:

1. The scope of the bill is broader than the provisions of the order submitted to the State Board of Health for investigation, which did not provide for legislation as the result of the investigation;

2. That the bill is not germane to the report of the State Board of Health, which does not suggest or recommend any legislation;

3. That the purpose of the bill is adverse to the finding of the report;

The Speaker ruled as follows:

Ruling by the Speaker.

The last Legislature adopted the following order:—

“*Ordered*, That the State Board of Health be requested and required to make special investigation and report to the next General Court upon the manufacture and sale of oleomargarine and butterine, especially with reference to their healthfulness as articles of food, and as to the question whether they are sold in compliance with existing laws.”

It will be observed that the board is thus charged with a twofold duty, to report, first, in reference to the healthfulness of these productions as articles of food, and second, as to whether the laws regulating the sale are complied with. In compliance therewith the board instituted an investigation and made report accordingly to the present Legislature (Senate Doc. 140), which report was in due course referred to the committee on Public Health. Under this reference the committee, on April 13, reported the bill now under consideration (House Doc. 375). The question being on ordering the bill to a third reading, April 18, Mr. Dresser raised the point of

order that the bill is improperly before the House, and he assigns as reasons, first, the scope of the bill is broader than the order, which did not provide for legislation as the result of the investigation; second, the bill is not germane to the report, which does not suggest or recommend any legislation; third, the purpose of the bill is adverse to the findings of the report.

The third reason the Chair regards as entirely immaterial, since the committee on Public Health is not bound to arrive at the same conclusion as the State Board of Health upon any statement of facts presented, nor to reach the same opinion therefrom; otherwise their independence of judgment would be destroyed at the start. Two questions, therefore, remain: First, is the report of the State Board justified by the order? and, second, is the measure in question properly based on the report? The first suggestion which naturally arises is, what purpose had the last Legislature in enacting such an order? An examination of its proceedings reveals the fact that on the day of its adoption by the Senate it had refused reconsideration of an adverse vote on ordering to a third reading "A Bill to punish Deception in the Manufacture and Sale of Oleo-margarine and other products of Animal or Vegetable Oils when made in Imitation of Dairy Products" (1887, Senate Doc. 280). Thus it will be recognized that at the time of the adoption of the order, the expediency, advisability, or necessity, of some legislation in the direction indicated was being considered. On what other theory would that body have instituted such an investigation? On what other ground would the information to be sought be of service? Of what value was it unless the knowledge thus to be obtained was to be, in some practical way, utilized by the next General Court to which the report was directed to be made? It can have no other scope and meaning, in the opinion of the Chair, than to ascertain for the guidance of those for whom the information was intended. What need, if any, existed for legislation to further regulate the sale of the products mentioned? Unless some such purpose prompted the inquiry, the expense and time were idly employed. Surely the last Legislature is not to be regarded as so acting. But the gentleman from Medford urges his point on the ground that the order does not require any legislation as the result of the investigation. Is that essential? Is

it necessary that the last Legislature should do more than to institute the process for obtaining such information as shall justify future legislation, in order to enable the next General Court to inaugurate such a law as may be required? The Chair is of the opinion that the Legislature of 1887 in this particular pursued the natural and proper course. In pursuance of the authority thus given and the duty thus imposed, the State Board, among other topics, included the following: "3. Protection afforded by existing laws, and extent of compliance with such laws." "For the sake of convenience and as a matter of conformity to the terms employed in the National and State laws," the Board included in the term "Oleomargarine," "all substances made in imitation of butter as now manufactured and offered for sale in Massachusetts," and proceeded to investigate the healthfulness of such substances, and whether they were sold in compliance with the existing laws. For what purpose was instituted the inquiry into their healthfulness, except that if found deleterious to the public health the public might be protected therefrom? Such knowledge on the part of the Legislature would be of no value save as it might be utilized in the enactment of salutary laws. Had the Board found these substances dangerous to public health, would any one doubt that needed legislation could be properly founded on such evidence, or that a measure of legislation could be reported by a committee having the evidence referred to them for their consideration? And is it any less possible or proper for a committee to provide further legislation to regulate the honest sale of such substances if the evidence shows the need of it? The Chair will not enter upon a detailed analysis of the report or of the results adducible from the information it contains. When the chair has determined that its contents are pertinent to the subject matter of the order and within its scope, in a parliamentary sense, its duty on this branch of the question is ended. The general scope of the report is to be regarded, however, in determining to what extent the committee on Public Health may be permitted to go in recommending legislation. It is a well-recognized parliamentary principle "that a committee is not at liberty to entertain any proposition or go into any inquiry which does not come within the strict purpose for which the committee is appointed, as expressed or clearly im-

plied in the authority conferred upon it, or which is not grounded upon some paper which is referred to the consideration of the committee," etc. Were it not so, endless confusion would mar the deliberations of a legislative assembly; there would be no security from inimical legislation to interests or rights involved; no one could anticipate results, and it would be impossible to tell when the business of the session was concluded, or when any particular subject-matter had been finally determined. The observance of this principle is likewise essential to give the parties whose interests may be affected notice of the proposed legislation and an opportunity to be heard. As stated in a former ruling, the public has a right to such knowledge. What legislation then can be anticipated from the report of the board in view of the duty assigned it? What from the committee on Public Health, acting on the report referred to it? The only two matters referred were in relation to the manufacture and sale of oleomargarine and butterine as articles of food, and as to their being sold in conformity to law. Is there to be found one scintilla of reason as to limiting the sale of butter, pure and simple? Did any one ever contemplate that the inquiry made or the legislation to be proposed would include butter, because it chanced to have in its composition coloring-matter that gave it the imitation or semblance of yellow butter, or contemplated legislation to affect butter, that "product of pure, unadulterated milk or cream of the same," whose nature and elements are so well understood? Or was the legislative blow to be struck direct at the substances known as oleomargarine and butterine, when colored to imitate or resemble butter? In brief, what was it that the promoters of this legislation sought to protect? Surely not oleomargarine or butterine, but butter. The State Board was not directed to ascertain the healthfulness of butter when colored, nor to discover whether it was being sold according to law. In the opinion of the Chair the committee are confined to legislation that shall protect the public from frauds in the manufacture and sale of the articles—and the articles only—mentioned in the order, namely: oleomargarine and butterine, or the substances which are recognized in commerce as such. Is, then, the bill under consideration applicable alone to these substances? It is not the province of the Chair to discuss

the merits of any measure, only so far as to determine its scope and meaning in a parliamentary view. What, then, will be the effect of this bill should it become a law; and is that effect essential to attain the object attempted? Does it, in fact, accomplish any result which, in its scope and nature, introduces a subject of legislation looking to and beyond that contemplated in the order and the report on which it is based? The Chair is inclined to the opinion that the first section in its phraseology can be applied to the coloring of pure butter, produced from unadulterated milk or cream, as well as to oleomargarine and butterine, when colored "in imitation or semblance of yellow butter," and that under its provisions every producer of butter will be prohibited from using in its manufacture such substances as are commonly employed to give the semblance of pure yellow butter so much sought after in our markets. But whether such a treatment of the subject, such a provision of law, is or is not essential to legislation intended to prevent the fraudulent imitation of pure butter in the manufacture and sale of the substances against which the law is aimed, it is for the committee to consider and not for the Chair to determine. And it is possible that the Chair may be in error in the construction it puts upon the bill. In such case the benefit of any doubt in this particular is, according to well-established precedents, to be given to the measure. Mr. Cushing, in his treatise on the "Law and Practice of Legislative Assemblies," alluding to the authority of committees in reference to their reports, says: "The committee is authorized to recommend any measure connected with and growing out of the subject so referred," and of the necessity or desirability of any provision to render the required legislation effective the committee are the sole judges. In considering the power of a committee to incorporate in a bill founded upon a petition which only asked for the use of bells with which to arouse workmen, a provision that permitted the use of whistles and gongs for that purpose, Mr. President Crocker ruled that such a provision was proper (Senate 88, page 573). He says: "Inasmuch as this is a general law and not a private act, the chair feels that if he were in doubt as to his ruling, it would be proper for him to give the benefit of that doubt to the greater latitude of construction." And in permitting an amendment providing that the salaries of

school teachers shall be fixed each year by the school committee, to be moved to a bill to secure a more permanent tenure of office of such teachers, Mr. President Pillsbury indulged in the following pertinent suggestions: "The power and duty of the Chair extend only to determine the question of order, whether a different subject is introduced by the proposed amendment. All questions of the propriety or expediency of legislating in the form proposed address themselves to the Senate and are within its control. If the proposed amendment, though introducing no new subject, is so far different from the original proposition that, for want of notice to the public, or to those affected, or for any other reason it ought not to be entertained, the Senate can, and presumably will, reject it, but I do not think the rule intends or that it is desirable to vest the Chair with so large a power of exclusion as must necessarily follow from the construction which is sometimes put upon it." (1885, Senate, pp. 587-8.) So, in relation to the bill in question, whether to effect the object sought it is essential or proper to go to the extent to which the committee have seen fit, is a question that addresses itself to the intelligence and judgment of the House, and affects the merits of the question at issue, but does not come within the province of the Chair.

So long as the Chair is of opinion that the Bill is not in its subject-matter beyond the scope of that referred to the committee for its consideration, it cannot be regarded as improperly reported. Every proposition for legislation should be allowed to receive the full and fair consideration of the House despite mere technical objections, unless some clearly defined and well recognized parliamentary principle is to be violated thereby. Our rules are not created to hinder nor obstruct, but to facilitate and promote business, and the Chair is always reluctant to dispose of a matter upon technicalities, when the subject ought to be determined, if possible, upon its merits. Being, therefore, of the opinion that the House intended, by this reference of this subject to the committee on Public Health, to authorize them to report thereon such legislation as in their judgment would provide such protection to the public as the evidence therein obtained demonstrated to be necessary, and that the kind of legislation which would best provide that protection was left

to their determination, the Chair is of opinion that the bill reported by the committee is properly before the House.

Points of order.

On the point of order raised by Mr. Quincy of Quincy, that the pending amendment, moved by Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, was out of order, for the reason that it would, if adopted, make the bill broader than the basis of the legislation, the Speaker declared that the point was well taken, and the amendment was ruled out.

Mr. Preble of Boston moved to amend by inserting a new section, to be numbered section 3, as follows:—

“ *Section 3.* No person shall manufacture, sell, expose for sale, or have in his possession with intent to sell, any butter, or any article made in imitation or semblance of butter, which contains any salicylic acid, boracic acid, borax, alum, or other chemical, except dairy salt of good quality. Whoever violates any of the provisions of this section shall be punished by the penalties provided in section 2.”

Mr. Bottum of Northampton raised the point of order that the amendment was beyond the scope of the bill. The Speaker declared the point well taken, and the amendment was ruled out.

On motion of Mr. Barrett of Melrose, it was voted that debate be closed at 4 o'clock this afternoon, unless a vote should be sooner reached. Pending amendments, moved by Messrs Preble of Boston and Symonds of Salem, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the House,

At a quarter before one o'clock, adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Introduced on Leave.

Public records
of parishes,
towns and
counties.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, a Resolve in relation to public records of parishes, towns and counties. Read and referred to the committee on Finance, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Remonstrances Presented.

By Mr. Taft of New Marlborough, remonstrances of Charles K. Shepard and 48 other citizens of Sandisfield, of George H. Wheeler and 40 other citizens of Monterey, of H. M. Baldwin & Son and 38 other citizens of West Stockbridge, and of Richard Beebe and 26 other citizens of Alford; by Mr. McDonald of Great Barrington, remonstrances of the Berkshire Woolen Company and 182 others, corporations and citizens of Great Barrington, of Houghtaling & Pomeroy and 34 other citizens of Housatonic in the town of Great Barrington, of Henry A. Day and 74 other citizens of Otis, and of Eugene Miller and 108 other citizens of Egremont; by Mr. Winthrop of Stockbridge, remonstrance of Charles E. Callender and other citizens of Stockbridge; and by Mr. Provin of Westfield, remonstrances of Crane Brothers and 168 others of Westfield, and of Joseph N. Rockwell and 18 other citizens of Southwick, — severally, against the granting of a charter to build a railroad from the State line of Connecticut, in the town of Agawam, to the city of Springfield, Massachusetts, as petitioned for by the Hartford and Connecticut and Western Railroad Company.

Hartford and
Connecticut and
Western Rail-
road Company.

Severally referred to the committee on Railroads and sent up for concurrence.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Dexter of Lowell, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill in relation to the approval of bills contracted for the State Prison, the Massachusetts Reformatory, and the Reformatory Prison for Women, ought to pass.

Approval of
bills contracted
for the State
Prison, Massa-
chusetts Re-
formatory and
Reformatory
Prison for
Women.
Naval battalion
to be attached
to the militia.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the same committee, that the Bill to establish a naval battalion, to be attached to the volunteer militia, ought to pass.

By Mr. Hartwell of Ayer, from the same committee, that the Resolve to provide for the purchase of horses and cows for the Massachusetts Reformatory, and for certain repairs at said institution, ought to pass.

Purchase of
horses and cows
for the Massa-
chusetts Re-
formatory.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

*Discharged from the Orders.*Joseph W.
White.

On motion of Mr. Ware of Boston, the Resolve in favor of the widow of the late Joseph W. White was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and, on further motion of Mr. Ware, the rules were suspended and the resolve was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, Rule 15 having also been suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Oleomargarine.

On motion of Mr. Symonds of Salem, the Bill to prevent deception in the manufacture and sale of butter, being the unfinished business of this morning, was discharged from the orders of the day and considered, under a suspension of the rule. The pending amendments moved by Messrs. Symonds of Salem and Preble of Boston were rejected, and after debate the bill was ordered to a third reading.

Orders of the Day.

Bills :

Orders of the
Day.

In addition to an act to establish a Board of Gas Commissioners, approved June 11, 1885 ;

Relative to the discharge of persons appointed under the Civil Service Law ;

To confirm the proceedings of the last annual meeting of the town of Hudson ; and

To enable tenants paying rent for real estate to apply for an abatement of taxes assessed thereon ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

In relation to the release of prisoners from the Massachusetts Reformatory ;

To establish the salaries of the matrons, deputy matrons and assistant matrons in the Reformatory Prison for Women (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ;

To establish the compensation of clerks pro tempore of municipal, police and district courts ;

To amend chapter 217 of the Acts of the year 1882, relating to returns of property held for benevolent, charitable or scientific purposes ; and the

Resolve providing for certain repairs and improvements at the State House and at the Commonwealth Building;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The **Bill** relating to the issue of summonses in minor offences was rejected, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary.

The report of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order (recommitted) relative to preventing acquiring rights of way across railroads by prescription, was accepted, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of James F. Mullen and others, lot owners in the cemetery belonging to the Boston Catholic Cemetery Association, asking for legislation relating to the management of said association, was further considered. Mr. Holman of Clinton moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill relating to the Boston Catholic Cemetery Association." Pending the question on the amendment, and pending the main question on the acceptance of the report, the House,

At five minutes past five o'clock, adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, May 2, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Papers from the Senate.

The House concurred with the Senate in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule on the following order, and the order was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly:—

Notice of appointment and sales of real estate by administrators and executors.

Ordered, That the committee on Probate and Insolvency consider the expediency of additional legislation in relation to affidavits of notice of appointment and sales of real estate by administrators and executors.

Reports:

Compulsory voting.

Of the committee on Election Laws, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to compulsory voting;

Rates of fare and transfer checks on street railways in Boston.

Of the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on an order (recommitted) relative to the running of horse cars in the city of Boston and its suburban connections, and the rates of fare and the issuing of checks or transfers from one line or route to another;

Street railway companies in Boston.

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition (recommitted) of Charles O. Witherell and another for legislation to prevent the earnings of street railway companies of the city of Boston from being used for the improvement of any land company to the detriment of the holders of preferred stock; and

Widows paying a tax on property to vote for city and town officers.

Of the committee on Woman Suffrage, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing that widows paying a tax on property shall be entitled to vote for city and town officers (Mr. Milliken of Malden, of the House, dissenting);

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon.

Governor's Address, — finances of the Commonwealth.

A report of the committee on Expenditures, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's Address as relates to the finances of the Commonwealth, accepted by the Senate, was read, and, on motion of Mr. Wharton of Boston, the rule was suspended, and the report was accepted, in concurrence.

A report of the committee on Military Affairs, no legislation necessary, on the Adjutant-General's report for the year ending Dec. 31, 1887, accepted by the Senate, was read, and, on motion of Mr. Southwick of Peabody, the rule was suspended, and the report was accepted, in concurrence.

Report of
Adjutant-
General.

A report of the same committee, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's Address as relates to the militia, accepted by the Senate, was read, and, on motion of Mr. McDonough of Boston, the rule was suspended, and the report was accepted, in concurrence.

Militia.

A Bill to establish additional terms of the Superior Court for the county of Bristol (being a new draft of a House bill with the same title), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Additional
terms of the
Superior Court
for the county
of Bristol.

A Bill relating to the procedure in poor-debtor matters (being a new draft of a House bill with the same title), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Procedure in
poor-debtor
matters.

A Bill to provide for the preparation and publication of the supplements to the Public Statutes (being a new draft of a House bill with the same title), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Supplements to
the Public
Statutes.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Fisk of Boston, from the committee on Drainage, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to establishing systems of surface drainage and sewerage disposal by general law; and

Surface
drainage.

By Mr. Wilde of Malden, from the committee on Education, leave to withdraw, on the petition of F. L. Capen and others for the establishment of a meteorological station.

F. L. Capen,—
meteorological
station.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon.

By Mr. Nelson of Lakeville, from the committee on Taxation, on an order (recommitted), a Bill to amend section 4 of chapter 11 of the Public Statutes relating to the taxation of personal estates. Read and ordered to a second reading.

Taxation of
personal estates.

State Alms-
house at Tewks-
bury.

By Mr. Warden of Waltham, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on a petition, a Resolve authorizing the sale of land by the trustees of the State Almshouse at Tewksbury. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

To provide a bounty for the destruction of seals (which originated in the House) ; and

To authorize the Newburyport Society for the Relief of Aged Females to hold additional real and personal estate ;

Changing the boundary line between the city of New Bedford and the town of Dartmouth, and placing certain cemeteries within the limits of New Bedford ; and

To authorize the town of Marblehead to allow discounts for voluntary payments of taxes ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
Day.

The report of the committee on Finance, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to furnishing Keystone bill-files for the use of the House, was accepted.

Bills :

In relation to the approval of bills contracted for the State Prison, the Massachusetts Reformatory, and the Reformatory Prison for Women ; and

To establish a naval battalion to be attached to the volunteer militia ; and the

Resolve to provide for the purchase of horses and cows for the Massachusetts Reformatory, and for certain repairs at said institution ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To provide for the definition and preservation of town boundary lines (amended, as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, by the substitution of a bill with the same title) ; and

To confirm the proceedings of the last annual meeting of the town of Hudson; and the

Resolve providing for a new building and for certain repairs at the Lyman School for Boys at Westborough;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, leave to withdraw, on the petition of James F. Mullen and others, lot owners in the cemetery belonging to the Boston Catholic Cemetery Association, asking for legislation relating to the management of said association, was further considered. After debate, the bill moved as a substitute by Mr. Holman of Clinton was rejected, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the towns of Athol, Spencer and Amesbury to license the manufacture and distribution of illuminating gas containing more than ten per cent. of carbonic oxide was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relating to assessment insurance was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. Pending this question, and pending amendments recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and pending, also, amendments moved by Messrs. Colby of Boston and Pinkerton of Worcester, the House,

At fifteen minutes before one o'clock, adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Remonstrances Presented.

By Mr. Raymond of Hinsdale, remonstrances of Henry Sedgwick and 17 other citizens of Lenox, of J. M. Gibbons and 37 other citizens of Granville, and of Julius P. Hall and 25 other citizens of Tolland; by Mr. Taft of New Marlborough, remonstrance of Wilbur S. Phelps and 29 other citizens of Otis; by Mr. Morin of Adams, remonstrance of the L. L. Brown Paper Company and 40 others of Adams; and by Mr. Kearn of North Adams, remonstrance of S. Proctor Thayer and 43 other citizens of North Adams, — severally, against the granting of a charter to build a railroad from the State line of Connecticut in the town of Agawam to the city of Springfield,

Hartford and
Connecticut
and Western
Railroad
Company.

Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition (recommitted) of Charles O. Withereil and another for legislation to prevent the earnings of street railway companies of the city of Boston from being used for the improvement of any land company to the detriment of the holders of preferred stock; and

Of the committee on Woman Suffrage, *inexpedient* to legislate, on an order relative to providing that widows paying a tax on property shall be entitled to vote for city and town officers;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

The Bill to establish additional terms of the Superior Court for the county of Bristol was read a *second time* and ordered to a third reading.

Bills:

In relation to the officers of the Massachusetts Reformatory;

To enable incorporated religious societies to make by-laws (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading); and

In relation to the approval of bills contracted for the State Prison, the Massachusetts Reformatory, and the Reformatory Prison for Women;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to regulate the hours of labor of conductors and drivers upon street railways was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. On motion of Mr. Hall of Taunton, it was voted that debate be closed at quarter past four o'clock, unless a vote should be sooner reached. After debate, the pending amendments moved by Messrs. Wharton of Boston and Sanger of Cambridge were withdrawn, there being no objection. The pending amendment moved by Mr. Quincy of Quincy was adopted. On the pending amendment moved by Mr. Witcher of Stoneham, to add at the end of section 1 the words "or to any driver or conductor who may apply for extra work at the extra wages allowed," the yeas and nays were ordered at the request of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, and, the roll being called, the amendment was adopted by a vote of 101 yeas to 70 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen, John J.

Allen, Montessor T.
Armstrong, William O.
Backup, John
Berry, Francis T.
Blume, Andreas
Brigham, Arthur A.
Brooks, A. Olin
Brown, John F.
Call, Charles A.
Cannell, Joseph H.
Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.
Church, Moses D.
Clark, Henry
Clark, Schuyler
Close, George
Colby, John F.
Conwell, David
Coolidge, George H.
Crowell, Joshua
Cutler, Samuel
Dennis, George
Dewey, Wilson
Dresser, Theodore P.
Eldridge, Albert R.
Ferry, William F.
Fisk, Edward P.
Floyd, David, 2d
Fottler, Jacob
Friend, Henry
Frost, Henry
Gracey, Samuel L.
Greenwood, Morrill A.
Grosvenor, Charles F.
Hall, Frederick S.
Hatch, Franklin W.
Hathaway, James A.
Haynes, Henry D.
Hixon, William S.
Hooper, George M.
Hunt, George H.
Jaques, Alden P.
Kimball, John W.
Lothrop, J. Q. A.
Lyman, Payson W.
Manning, Albert S.
Manning, David, Jr.

Messrs. Martin, James P.

Merrill, John F.
Miller, Albert E.
Miller, Lyman M.
Milliken, Daniel L.
Morey, George F.
Parkman, Henry
Pear, Isaac S.
Peirson, Henry M.
Perry, George R.
Pierce, Charles Q.
Pinkerton, Alfred S.
Plaisted, John W.
Qua, Francis W.
Raymond, Francis H.
Read, John
Riddell, Henry
Robinson, J. Henry
Rogers, Joseph W.
Rogerson, William B.
Rounsevell, Arthur G.
Russell, Irving L.
Sanford, Alpheus
Sanger, Chester F.
Seavey, Charles W.
Shepard, Charles F.
Slocum, George W.
Smith, Sidney P.
Southwick, Benjamin F.
Spring, Charles E.
Stimpson, Daniel P.
Story, Cyrus
Stowe, Elijah B.
Thompson, A. Cranston
Thompson, Albert G.
Tompkins, Isaac B.
Turner, Henry A.
Tyler, Ansel P.
Upham, Samuel O.
Wadlin, Horace G.
Wales, Abijah T.
Walworth, Arthur C.
Warden, Erskine
Wardwell, J. Otis
Ware, M. Everett
Waters, Franklin L.
Wharton, William F.

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Barrett, William E.	Lally, James, Jr.
Bennett, Charles H.	Leach, William T.
Boardman, Francis	Lovell, Clarence P.
Brewer, Edward W.	Lyons, Henry S.
Burnham, William Howe	McCarthy, Patrick
Calnan, Patrick J.	McCooley, Thomas
Carey, William H.	McDonald, Robert H.
Carman, William A.	McDonough, John H.
Carney, Michael	McEnaney, Thomas O.
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Driscoll, John	Quinn, Andrew
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Eames, Harry M.	Quinn, Philip H.
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Hayes, John E.	Vanderhoop, Edwin D.
Holbrook, John A.	Wilkinson, John W.
Keane, Jeremiah J.	Willis, Rufus H.
Kearn, George H.	Winthrop, John

Yeas, 101 ; nays, 70.

On this question, Messrs. Adams of Lowell, Henry of Fall River, Carpenter of Brookline, Simonds of Westminster, Holman of Clinton, Shaw of Newburyport, Rugg

of New Bedford, Hartwell of Ayer, Gleason of Holbrook, Davis of Somerset, Taft of New Marlborough, White of Taunton, Hitchcock of Ware and Fisher of Grafton, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired, respectively, with Messrs. Coveney of Cambridge, Knox of Chester, Provin of Westfield, Quincy of Quincy, Noonan of Boston, E. J. Donovan of Boston, Haggerty of Boston, Russell of Maynard, Carroll of Worcester, Witt of Boston, Haggerty of Southbridge, Leary of Boston, Finney of Plymouth and O'Neill of Sudbury.

The bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading by a vote of 106 to 57.

The Bill to provide for the appointment of auditors in probate courts was read a second time and considered. Mr. Clark of Huntington moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed. After debate, pending this motion, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, the House,

At twenty-three minutes past five o'clock, adjourned.

THURSDAY, May 3, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Payson W. Lyman of Belchertown, a member of the House.

Introduced on Leave.

Gates at grade crossings of railroads.

By Mr. Walworth of Newton, a Bill relative to gates at grade crossings of railroads. Read and referred to the committee on Railroads, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence.

Petition Presented.

Patience E. Smith.

By Mr. O'Neill of Sudbury, petition of Patience E. Smith that she may be eligible to receive State aid. Referred to the committee on Military Affairs, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence.

Resolution Presented.

Intoxicating liquors.

By Mr. Noyes of Boston, a Resolution adopted by the Massachusetts Branch of the Church Temperance Society in favor of the high-license bill and the bill limiting the number of licenses. Placed on file.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

Juvenile offenders.

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of O. F. Swift and others of Springfield for the repeal of chapter 127 of the Acts of the year 1882, relating to juvenile offenders, and the enactment of suitable and proper laws in place thereof ;

Mechanical appliances on railroads in case of accident.

Of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to inquiring and reporting whether there are any mechanical devices or appliances that, in case of derailment, broken wheels, axle, frogs, switches or rails, will keep the wheels in a line with the rails ;

John F. Hemming.

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of chapter 225 of the Acts of the year 1882 concerning discrimination in freight rates by railroad corporations and for the revival of chapter 94 of the Acts of the same year; and

Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition (recommitted) of Causten Browne and others for regulation of fares on street railways in the city of Boston;

Street railway fares in Boston.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon.

A report of the committee on Prisons, no further legislation necessary, on the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons on the Massachusetts State Prison, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Southwick of Peabody.

Massachusetts State Prison.

Bills :

To authorize appeals from assessors of taxes to the Superior Court (reported, in part, on an order relative to the assessment and collection of taxes); and

Appeals from assessors of taxes.

To incorporate the Cary Library (reported on a petition);

Cary Library.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Bills :

In relation to the evidence given at inquests (reported, in part, on the annual report of the Board of Railroad Commissioners);

Evidence at inquests.

To provide for an additional officer on the district police force (reported, in part, on the report of the Commissioners on Inland Fisheries and Game); and

Additional officer on the district police.

To establish the salary of the Attorney-General, and to establish the office of Second Assistant Attorney-General and to provide for the salary of such officer (reported, in part, on the annual report of the Attorney-General);

Salary of Attorney-General, — Assistant Attorney-General.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

The Resolve (introduced on leave in the House) in relation to public records of parishes, towns and counties, came down from the Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Public records of parishes, towns and counties.

Reports of Committees.

Lotteries and
"policy"
playing.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to lotteries and "policy" playing.

Mt. Hope
Cemetery.

Mr. Parkman of Boston, from the committee on Cities, on the petition of Robert Disbrow and others, proprietors of lots in Mount Hope Cemetery, for an amendment of the laws relating to the appointment of trustees of said cemetery (believing that the proper method for the government of said cemetery is to transfer the same, under proper conditions, to the owners of lots therein, but finding that they are unable to report such a bill, as being beyond the scope of the petition), reported that the further consideration thereof be referred to the next General Court.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon.

Report of the
trustees of the
Westborough
Insane Hospital.

By Mr. Warden of Waltham, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no legislation necessary, on the third annual report of the trustees of the Westborough Insane Hospital. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Warden, and sent up for concurrence.

Boston Marine
Park.

By Mr. Collison of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Boston to refund a portion of the money paid as betterments for the Marine Park in said city.

Assessment of
taxes.

By Mr. Burnham of Essex, from the committee on Taxation, on an order relative to the assessment and collection of taxes, in part, a Bill concerning the assessment of taxes in certain cases.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

To authorize the New York and New England Railroad Company to mortgage certain of its terminal lands in the city of Boston, and in relation to the purchase of such lands from the Commonwealth ;

To amend chapter 103 of the Acts of the year 1887, in relation to proper sanitary provisions in factories and workshops ; and

Relative to the right of the public to examine the lists of valuation and assessment of cities and towns ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

Providing for the compensation of commissioners of the new bridge between the cities of Boston and Cambridge appointed by the mayors of said cities ;

Concerning the election and the powers and duties of trustees of free public libraries, or of free public libraries and reading-rooms in towns ;

To confirm a deed of release from the Hopkinton Railroad Company to the Milford and Woonsocket Railroad Company ; and

Relating to the certificates and registry of deaths, and the burial and removal of bodies of deceased persons ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

Providing for certain apparatus, buildings, insurance, repairs and furnishing at the Massachusetts Agricultural College (which originated in the House) ; and

Resolves passed.

In favor of the widow of the late Joseph W. White (which originated in the Senate) ; were severally passed, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motions of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, the report of the committee on Probate and Insolvency, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation as to what shall constitute an act of insolvency by a corporation mentioned in section 127 of chapter 157 of the Public Statutes, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Insolvency.

On motions of Mr. Keane of Holyoke, the report of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to regulating the employing of male employees by manufacturing, mechanical and mercantile firms and railroad corporations, where said employees are required to labor more than ten hours per day, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was postponed for further consideration until Tuesday next.

Employment of labor by manufacturing, mechanical and mercantile firms and railroad corporations.

Dakota Mortgage Loan Corporation.

On motion of Mr. Read of Cambridge, the Bill to change the name of the Dakota Mortgage Loan Corporation and to grant it additional powers was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, laid on the table.

Manufacture and sale of butter.

On motion of Mr. Bottum of Northampton, the Bill to prevent deception in the manufacture and sale of butter was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and, pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Monday, May 7, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

Athol, Spencer and Amesbury, — water gas.

On motion of Mr. Morey of Lowell, the Bill to authorize the towns of Athol, Spencer and Amesbury to license the manufacture and distribution of illuminating gas containing more than ten per cent. of carbonic oxide was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and, pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, laid on the table.

Orders of the Day.

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The report of the joint special committee on Water Supply and Drainage, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing for a water and drainage commission, defining their duties and powers and providing for their compensation, and of providing by general law for the taking of water and the disposal of sewage within the Commonwealth, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the town of Plymouth to establish a system of sewerage ;

To provide armories for the Massachusetts Volunteer Militia ; and

In addition to an act to incorporate the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relative to the discharge of persons appointed under the Civil Service law; and the

Resolve to provide for the purchase of horses and cows for the Massachusetts Reformatory, and for certain repairs at said institution;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills:

To establish additional terms of the Superior Court for the county of Bristol; and

To enable tenants paying rent for real estate to apply for an abatement of taxes assessed thereon (its title having been amended as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading so as to read "Bill to enable tenants under obligation to pay taxes assessed on real estate to apply for an abatement thereof.")

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, the last-named bill being sent up for concurrence in the amendment to the title.

The House concurred with the Senate in the amendments to the House Bill to provide for rebuilding the bridge across the Connecticut River between Holyoke and South Hadley, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The Bill to provide for the appointment of auditors in probate courts was further considered. After debate, on motion of Mr. Parkman of Boston, the previous question was ordered, and the bill was rejected by a vote of 38 to 103.

The report of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to a Board of Public Works for the city of Boston, was further considered. Mr. Lovell of Boston moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to establish a Board of Public Works for the city of Boston," pending which, and pending the main question on the acceptance of the report, the House,

At nineteen minutes before one o'clock, adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Message from His Excellency the Governor.

Amesbury, —
statue of Josiah
Bartlett.

A message was received from His Excellency the Governor, transmitting a letter signed by E. Moody Boynton and others, asking that the Commonwealth of Massachusetts accept a bronze statue of Governor Josiah Bartlett, which is to be unveiled in the town of Amesbury on the 4th day of July next. The message and letter were read, ordered to be printed and referred to the committee on Federal Relations and sent up for concurrence.

Reports of Committees.

Lemira C.
Pennell.

By Mr. Hagerty of Boston, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Lemira C. Pennell for an investigation of the acts of certain officials of the State Board of Health, Lunacy and Charity in 1883, in endeavoring to cause her to be detained in a lunatic hospital. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Water supply
for cities and
towns.

By Mr. Finney of Plymouth, from the committee on Water Supply, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to authorize the cities and towns of this Commonwealth to supply the inhabitants thereof with water ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

Orders of the Day.

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The report of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to establishing a Board of Public Works for the city of Boston, being the unfinished business of this morning, was further considered. After debate, on the question of the substitution of the bill moved by Mr. Lovell of Boston, the yeas and nays were ordered at the request of Mr. Gunn of Boston, and, the roll being called, the substitute bill was rejected by a vote of 81 yeas to 96 nays, as follows: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen, John J.
Armstrong, William O.
Barrett, William E.

Messrs. Berry, Francis T.
Brackett, Albert A.
Breed, Arthur B.

Messrs. Brewer, Edward W.
 Brigham, Arthur A.
 Brooks, A. Olin
 Burnham, William Howe
 Carpenter, George N.
 Champlin, Arthur B.
 Clark, Schuyler
 Conant, Charles W.
 Conwell, David
 Coolidge, George H.
 Crowell, Joshua
 Dame, Luther
 Davis, Edmund A.
 Delano, John W.
 Dennis, George
 Dewey, Wilson
 Dresser, Theodore P.
 Eames, Harry M.
 Eldridge, Albert R.
 Fales, Frank A.
 Ferry, William F.
 Floyd, David, 2d
 Gleason, Joseph H.
 Gordon, William, Jr.
 Gray, Davis P.
 Greenwood, Morrill A.
 Grosvenor, Charles F.
 Gunn, Daniel
 Hall, Frederick S.
 Hatch, Franklin W.
 Hathaway, James A.
 Haynes, Henry D.
 Henry, Robert
 Hitchcock, Calvin
 Hixon, William S.
 Holman, Frank E.
 Hooper, George M.
 Jaques, Alden P.

Messrs. Kearn, George H.
 Kimball, John W.
 Leach, William T.
 Lothrop, J. Q. A.
 Lovell, Clarence P.
 Manning, Albert S.
 Manning, David, Jr.
 Martin, James P.
 Milliken, Daniel L.
 Milne, John C.
 Morey, George F.
 Morton, Harrison E.
 Nelson, Sidney T.
 Pear, Isaac S.
 Pierce, Charles Q.
 Poore, William H.
 Rogers, Samuel N.
 Rugg, Charles P.
 Russell, Alvin D.
 Sanford, Alpheus
 Sanger, Chester F.
 Slocum, George W.
 Stimpson, Daniel P.
 Taft, Robert L.
 Thayer, Rufus A.
 Thompson, A. Cranston
 Tompkins, Isaac B.
 Trull, George W.
 Wales, Abijah T.
 Walworth, Arthur C.
 Warden, Erskine
 Wardwell, J. Otis
 Ware, M. Everett
 Willis, Rufus H.
 Witt, Charles T.
 Woodward, Charles F.
 Wyman, Ferdinand A.

NAYS.

Messrs. Atherton, Horace H.
 Atwood, Harrison H.
 Babbitt, Rollin H.
 Backup, John
 Bennett, Charles H.
 Blume, Andreas
 Boardman, Francis
 Bottum, John B.
 Brown, John F.

Messrs. Carman, William A.
 Carney, Michael
 Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.
 Church, Moses D.
 Clark, David H.
 Close, George
 Colby, John F.
 Collison, Harvey N.
 Conroy, James

Messrs. Coveney, John W.	Messrs. O'Brien, Dennis J.
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Dame, Albert L.	O'Neil, John W.
Desmond, Jeremiah	O'Neill, Thomas F.
Doherty, John	Parkman, Henry
Donovan, Edward J.	Plaisted, John W.
Donovan, James	Provin, William
Driscoll, John	Quincy, Josiah
Farren, Thomas G.	Quinn, Andrew
Finney, Elkanah	Quinn, Dennis J.
Fisher, Albert L.	Quinn, Philip H.
Fisk, Edward P.	Raymond, Samuel M.
Flynn, Edward J.	Read, John
Gagan, Edward	Richards, James H.
Garity, Michael	Riddell, Henry
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Gile, William A.	Robinson, Ethan C.
Griswold, Freeman C.	Robinson, J. Henry
Hagerty, David J.	Rogers, Joseph W.
Hastings, William H.	Rounsevell, Arthur G.
Hayes, Elihu B.	Seavey, Charles W.
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Hinchcliffe, William J.	Sohier, William D.
Hunt, George H.	Southwick, Benjamin F.
Keane, Jeremiah J.	Stowe, Elijah B.
Kendall, Horace M.	Sullivan, Michael F.
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Yeas, 81 ; nays, 96.

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The report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Cities, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of Robert Disbrow, M. D., and others, proprietors of lots in Mt. Hope Cemetery, for an amendment of the laws relating to the appointment of trustees of said cemetery, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to inquiring and reporting whether there are any mechanical devices or appliances that, in case of derailment, broken wheels, axle, frogs, switches or rails, will keep the wheels in a line with the rails ;

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of John F. Hemming for an investigation of a certain portion of the report of the Board of Railroad Commissioners for the year 1878, and also for the repeal of chapter 225 of the Acts of the year 1882 concerning discrimination in freight rates by railroad corporations and for the revival of chapter 94 of the Acts of the same year ; and

Of the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on an order (recommitted) relative to the running of horse cars in the city of Boston and its suburban connections, and the rates of fare and the issuing of checks or transfers from one line or route to another ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

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Point of order.

The Bill to fix the tenure of office of the members of the police force of the city of Worcester was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. On the point of order raised by Mr. Mellen of Worcester, that the bill was beyond the scope of the petition upon which it was based, inasmuch as the petition asks that the General Court make the police force a permanent organization, while the bill provided for the permanency of a police force hereafter appointed, the Speaker ruled as follows : —

Ruling by the Speaker.

Early in February the mayor of Worcester petitioned for such a modification of the charter of that city as "to make the police department of said city a permanent organization, may be appointed to hold office during good behavior and removed only for cause, but with the proviso that the mayor and aldermen may have full and exclusive power to appoint a city marshal and assistants and the same to remove at pleasure."

The petition was referred to the committee on Cities, with instructions to hear the parties, after notice; and on the ninth of April that committee reported thereon the bill now under consideration, printed as House, No. 348.

The question being on ordering the bill to a third reading, Mr. Mellen of Worcester raises the point of order that the bill is not responsive to the prayer of the petition, and is broader in its scope than the subject-matter referred to the committee.

The petition asks that the city charter be so modified that the "police department of said city" be made "a permanent organization," so that the members thereof shall be "appointed during good behavior and removed only for cause," except the city marshal and assistants.

By an examination of said charter the Chair finds this provision in relation to the police department in section 13 thereof: "The mayor and aldermen shall, *annually*, as soon after the organization of the city government as may be convenient, appoint a city marshal, two assistant marshals, one captain of night police, and as many policemen as in their judgment may be required and fix their compensation." It will be seen that by this provision the mayor and aldermen are required in each year, "as

soon after their organization as convenient," to appoint the entire police force of said city.

The bill reported by the committee provides as follows : —

Section 1. All members of the regular police force of the city of Worcester, excepting the city marshal or chief of police and such assistant marshals as the mayor and aldermen may appoint, shall be hereafter appointed by the mayor, subject to confirmation by the board of aldermen, to hold office during good behavior; and such officers may be removed by the mayor and board of aldermen, after a due hearing, for such cause as they may deem sufficient and shall express in the order of removal.

Under this bill the next mayor and aldermen of said city will be charged with the duty of selecting a police force and establishing a police department for said city that shall be in accordance with the prayer of said petition, "a permanent organization" whose members shall "hold office during good behavior" and be removable only "for cause" and "after a due hearing." But the gentleman from Worcester urges that since the bill does not include the members now appointed to said force, and only makes provision for future appointments to it, it goes beyond the scope of the petition. The Chair is unable to so construe it. In the opinion of the Chair, the structure of the police force is to be regarded, — its framework, — rather than the mere personnel; that the committee, in considering the best method of accomplishing the object desired, had full authority to include those now on said police force, and to make their term of office depend on good behavior and not subject to appointment by a new city government; or they could, if they deemed it the wiser plan, apply the amendment of the charter to appointments thereafter made. So long as a committee confines the results of its action within the subject-matter referred to it, the manner of its treatment rests, in the parliamentary sense, solely in the discretion of the committee, and is not subject to be revised by the ruling of the Chair. Otherwise the Chair would be constantly determining matters of legislation upon their merits, which should be settled in the first instance by the committee having the subject referred to them, and finally by the Legislature itself. In the opinion of the Chair, therefore, the bill under consideration is properly before the House.

After debate the bill was ordered to a third reading by a vote of 81 to 57.

The Bill providing for the appointment of three commissioners to inquire into the maintenance of draw-bridges over the Charles River was considered, the question being on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Finance. Mr. Blume of Boston moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed. After debate, Mr. Lyman of Belchertown moved the previous question. Pending these motions, and pending the question on the rejection of the bill, as recommended by the committee on Finance, the House,

At fifteen minutes past five o'clock, adjourned.

FRIDAY, May 4, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petition Presented.

By Mr. Tompkins of New Bedford, petition of the New Bedford Board of Trade for an act of incorporation. Referred to the committee on Mercantile Affairs, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence.

New Bedford Board of Trade.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to establishing a board of Street Railway Commissioners, the said board, when created, to have the powers and duties relating to street railways now vested in the Board of Railroad Commissioners, and such other powers and duties as may be deemed expedient, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon.

Board of Street Railway Commissioners.

A report of the joint committee on Rules, reference to the next General Court, on an order that all matters hereafter presented to this Legislature which require the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule be referred to the committee on Expediting Legislative Business prior to the suspension, who shall hear the party introducing the matter and others who may be interested therein, and report whether the reasons presented for the suspension of the rule are proper and sufficient, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Hall of Taunton.

Twelfth Joint Rule.

A Bill to fix the amount of real and personal estate to be held by the overseers of the poor in the city of Boston (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Amount of real and personal property to be held by the overseers of the poor of Boston.

A Resolve making an appropriation for the firing of a salute on the occasion of the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the organization of the Ancient and Hon-

Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company.

orable Artillery Company (introduced on leave in the Senate), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Number of officers in attendance upon the Superior Court for the county of Suffolk.

The House Bill to establish the number of officers in attendance upon the Superior Court for the county of Suffolk, and in relation to their duties, passed to be engrossed by the House, came down from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Special report of the Railroad Commissioners relative to heating and lighting passenger cars.

A special report of the Board of Railroad Commissioners, on the subject of heating and lighting passenger cars, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Railroads.

Worcester Steel Works.

A petition of the Worcester Steel Works for authority to increase its capital stock, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Mercantile Affairs, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Taken from the Table.

Danger signals upon railroads.

On motions of Mr. Wadlin of Reading, the Bill relative to danger signals upon railroads was taken from the table, and, pending the question on its engrossment, was recommended to the committee on Railroads.

Reports of Committees.

Attendance of children at day or evening schools.

By Mr. Wilde of Malden, from the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring children who cannot read and write in the English language to attend day or evening schools.

Wage earners' deposits in savings banks.

By Mr. Tyler of Middleton, from the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation concerning the collection of statistics as to the number of wage-earners and deposits made by them in savings banks.

Hyde Park Street Railway Company.

By Mr. Woodward of Wakefield, from the committee on Street Railways, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the Hyde Park Street Railway Company for authority to issue coupon or registered bonds to an amount not exceeding \$100,000, and to secure the same by a mortgage on its road, franchise and property. Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon.

By Mr. Hartwell of Ayer, from the committee on Finance, no legislation necessary, on the report of the Tax Commissioner for the year ending Dec. 31, 1887. Report of the Tax Commissioner.

Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Hartwell.

By Mr. Wharton of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (on leave) relative to dissolving attachments by giving bond ought to pass in a new draft, with the title, " Bill providing for special judgments in certain cases where bonds are given to dissolve attachments or to prosecute reviews." Dissolving attachments by giving bonds.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill in further addition to an act making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year and for certain other expenses authorized by law. Appropriation bill.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve authorizing the sale of land by the trustees of the State Almshouse at Tewksbury ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon for a second reading. State Almshouse at Tewksbury.

By Mr. Quincy of Quincy, from the committee on Labor, on a Senate order dated March 9 and on a House order dated February 1, a Bill in relation to ways of egress and means of escape from fire in certain buildings. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance. Means of escape from fire in buildings.

Motion to Reconsider.

Mr. Lovell of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, accepted the report of the committee on Cities, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to establishing a Board of Public Works for the city of Boston, and moved to postpone the motion to reconsider until Tuesday next. Both motions were lost. Board of Public Works for the city of Boston.

Bill Enacted and Resolve Passed.

An engrossed Bill to authorize the city of Brockton to provide for surface drainage, and to improve the brooks and natural streams within the limits of said city (which Bill enacted

originated in the Senate) was passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed. An engrossed Resolve providing for the publication of a new edition of the statutes relating to public schools (which originated in the House) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to lotteries and "policy" playing, was accepted.

The report of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Lemira C. Pennell for an investigation of the acts of certain officials of the State Board of Health, Lunacy and Charity in 1883, in endeavoring to cause her to be detained in a lunatic hospital, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports :

Of the committee on Cities, no further legislation necessary, on the third annual report of the Board of Police of the city of Boston ; and

Of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of O. F. Swift and others of Springfield for the repeal of chapter 127 of the Acts of the year 1882, relating to juvenile offenders, and the enactment of suitable and proper laws in place thereof ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

The Bill to incorporate the city of Quincy was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To establish a Board of Sewer Commissioners for the city of Northampton (amended on motions of Mr. Parkman of Boston) ;

In addition to an act to establish a Board of Gas Commissioners (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ; and

To authorize the city of Boston to refund a portion of the money paid as betterments for the Marine Park in said city ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill (on leave) to authorize cities and towns of this Commonwealth to supply the inhabitants thereof with water was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Water Supply, and notice thereof was sent to the Senate.

The Bill providing for the appointment of three commissioners to inquire into the maintenance of drawbridges over the Charles River was further considered. After debate, on motion of Mr. Symonds of Salem, the previous question was ordered, and the bill was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Finance.

The Bill to authorize the consolidation of gas and electric light companies was read a second time and considered. Pending the question on ordering to a third reading, the House,

At fifteen minutes before one o'clock, adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Symonds of Salem, petition of the Eastern Railroad Company for such legislation as will cause the sinking fund in the hands of the trustees under the mortgage of said company to be invested in the certificates of indebtedness of said company, and the cancellation of said certificates. Referred to the committee on Railroads under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Eastern Railroad Company.

By Mr. Taft of New Marlborough, remonstrances of George A. Stevens and 14 other citizens of New Marlborough, of Alvan F. Bliss and 128 other citizens of Blandford, of Charles A. Clafin and 92 other citizens of Sandisfield, and of F. S. Cannon and 67 other citizens of Otis; by Mr. Knox of Chester, remonstrances of A. D. Snow and 107 other citizens of Blandford, and of F. C. Law and 18 other citizens of Tolland; and by Mr. Provin of Westfield, remonstrance of Chester Burrows and 17 other citizens of Westfield, — severally, against the granting of a charter to build a railroad from the State line of Connecticut, in the town of Agawam, to the city of Springfield, Massachusetts, as petitioned for by the Hartford and Connecticut Western Railroad Company.

Hartford and Connecticut Western Railroad Company.

Severally referred to the committee on Railroads.

Severally sent up for concurrence.

Reports of Committees.

Procedure in
poor-debtor
matters.

By Mr. McCall of Winchester, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the Senate Bill relating to the procedure in poor-debtor matters, and recommending that the same be referred to the joint committee on Probate and Insolvency. Read and accepted and sent up for concurrence in the reference.

Inspection and
construction of
buildings in the
city of Boston.

By Mr. Quincy of Quincy, from the committee on Labor, on an order, a Bill to amend chapter 374 of the Acts of the year 1885, relating to the inspection and construction of buildings in the city of Boston. Read and ordered to a second reading.

Bill Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Bill enacted.

An engrossed Bill to provide for the disposal of fees received by city officials (which originated in the House) was passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolves
passed.

Engrossed resolves :

To provide for the purchase of printing materials and presses for the State Prison ; and

To confirm the acts of Shepard Thayer as a notary public ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
Day.

The report of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to requiring children who cannot read and write in the English language to attend day or evening schools, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Street Railways, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to establishing a board of Street Railway Commissioners, the said board when created to have the powers and duties relating to street railways now vested in the Board of Railroad Commissioners and such other powers and duties as may be deemed expedient, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To amend section 4 of chapter 11 of the Public Statutes relating to the taxation of personal estates ;

To authorize appeals from assessors of taxes to the Superior Court; and

In further addition to an act making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year and for certain other expenses authorized by law; and the

Resolve authorizing the sale of land by the trustees of the State Almshouse at Tewksbury;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill in regard to ballots cast by women in elections for members of school committee was read a third time, amended on motion of Mr. Hunt of Rockland, by adding a new section to be numbered section two, and was passed to be engrossed, as amended, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill authorizing towns to regulate the catching of pickerel was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the consolidation of gas and electric light companies was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. After debate, the bill was rejected and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill to authorize the Board of Railroad Commissioners to grant the Onset Street Railway Company certain rights after certain findings was read a third time and considered. On the question on engrossment, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Delano of Marion, and, the roll being called, the bill was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence by a vote of 78 yeas to 49 nays, its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading so as to read: "Bill relating to the location of the tracks of the Onset Railway Company in the town of Wareham, and to the use of motive power by said company." The vote was as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen, John J.

Allen, Montessor T.

Armstrong, William O.

Atherton, Horace H.

Atwood, Harrison H.

Breed, Arthur B.

Messrs. Brewer, Edward W.

Brigham, Arthur A.

Brooks, A. Olin

Calnan, Patrick J.

Cannell, Joseph H.

Carman, William A.

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Messrs. Carroll, Peter T.
 Champlin, Arthur B.
 Church, Moses D.
 Clark, Henry
 Collison, Harvey N.
 Conant, Charles W.
 Conroy, James
 Coveney, John W.
 Cronin, James M.
 Cutler, Samuel
 Doherty, John
 Dolan, Bernard
 Donovan, Edward J.
 Donovan, James
 Driscoll, John
 Dunlea, James J.
 Fisk, Edward P.
 Floyd, David, 2d
 Fottler, Jacob
 Gagan, Edward
 Garity, Michael
 Gleason, Joseph H.
 Goss, Charles
 Gracey, Samuel L.
 Gray, Davis P.
 Grosvenor, Charles F.
 Hatch, Franklin W.
 Hathaway, James A.
 Hayes, John E.
 Hitchcock, Calvin
 Hixon, William S.
 Hooper, George M.
 Hunt, George H.

Messrs. Lally, James, Jr.
 Leach, William T.
 Leary, Edward J.
 Lothrop, J. Q. A.
 Lyman, Payson W.
 McCall, Samuel W.
 McEttrick, Michael J.
 Miller, Lyman M.
 Monahan, William H.
 O'Brien, Dennis J.
 O'Neil, John W.
 O'Neill, Thomas F.
 Pear, Isaac S.
 Pierce, Charles Q.
 Preble, William H.
 Quinn, Andrew
 Quinn, Dennis J.
 Quinn, Philip H.
 Raymond, Francis H.
 Read, John
 Rogers, Joseph W.
 Russell, Alvin D.
 Sanger, Chester F.
 Shaw, Edward P.
 Sohler, William D.
 Stimpson, Daniel P.
 Towne, Joseph L.
 Wharton, William F.
 Whitcher, James E.
 Wiley, Albert L.
 Wilkinson, John W.
 Witt, Charles T.
 Wright, Arthur

NAYS.

Messrs. Adams, Charles E.
 Babbitt, Rollin H.
 Bixby, Charles C.
 Clark, David H.
 Close, George
 Conwell, David
 Crowell, Joshua
 Davis, Edmund A.
 Delano, John W.
 Dennis, George
 Eldridge, Albert R.
 Finney, Elkanah
 Flynn, Edward J.
 Gile, William A.

Messrs. Gordon, William, Jr.
 Hall, Frederick S.
 Henry, Robert
 Holbrook, John A.
 Kendall, Horace M.
 Lovell, Clarence P.
 Manning, David, Jr.
 McCarthy, Patrick
 McDonough, John H.
 Mellen, James H.
 Merrill, John F.
 Miller, Albert E.
 Milliken, Daniel L.
 Morey, George F.

Messrs. Nelson, Sidney T.
 Norwood, Caleb J.
 Pinkerton, Alfred S.
 Plaisted, John W.
 Pratt, Harvey H.
 Richards, James H.
 Rogerson, William B.
 Rounsevell, Arthur G.
 Seavey, Charles W.
 Story, Cyrus
 Sullivan, Michael F.

Messrs. Taft, Robert L.
 Thayer, Rufus A.
 Tompkins, Isaac B.
 Trull, George W.
 Upham, Samuel O.
 Wadlin, Horace G.
 Walworth, Arthur C.
 Ware, M. Everett
 White, William L., Jr.
 Wyman, Ferdinand A.

Yeas, 78 ; nays, 49.

On this question, Messrs. McEnaney of Boston, Kennedy of Boston, Hayes of Lynn, Fales of Norwood and McCooley of Blackstone, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired, respectively, with Messrs. Vanderhoop of Gay Head, Rugg of New Bedford, Clark of Huntington, Dame of Methuen and Cheney of Worcester.

The Bill to incorporate the Middlesex Land Company in the county of Middlesex was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. An amendment, moved by Mr. Milliken of Malden, was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

The report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of N. M. Jewett and others to allow the city of Boston to tunnel from Boston proper to East Boston, was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Lovell of Boston.

The Bill prescribing the minimum fees for liquor licenses was read a second time and considered. On motion of Mr. Hall of Taunton, it was voted that debate be closed at quarter past four o'clock, unless a vote should be sooner reached. Mr. Flynn of Boston moved to amend by the substitution of a bill with the same title, which was rejected by a vote of 39 to 70. An amendment moved by Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, to fix the fee for a license of the sixth class at not less than fifty dollars, and an amendment moved by Mr. Mellen of Worcester, to fix the fee for a license of the sixth class at not less than twenty-five dollars, were severally rejected. After debate, the bill was ordered to a third reading by a vote of 72 to 33.

At twenty minutes past four o'clock, adjourned.

MONDAY, May 7, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petition Presented.

Oleomargarine.

By Mr. Tompkins of New Bedford, petition of Walter G. Viall for legislation to prohibit the coloring of oleomargarine, butterine and like compounds in imitation of butter. Placed on file.

Order.

Committee on Cities.

On motion of Mr. Parkman of Boston,—

Ordered, That the committee on Cities be allowed until May 15th to report on the petition for the revision of the charter of the city of Lawrence.

Sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Detention of persons at the State Almshouse and State Farm.

A report of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to re-enacting the provisions of law contained in chapter 198 of the Acts of 1866, so far as they relate to the detention in the State Almshouse and the State Farm of any of the descriptions of persons contained in sections 29 and 37 of chapter 207 of the Public Statutes, and of extending such provisions to the inmates of city almshouses, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Payment of costs after commitment or after appeals are withdrawn.

Notice was received from the Senate that the House Bill relating to payment of costs after commitment or after appeals are withdrawn had been rejected by that branch.

Gates at grade crossings of railroads.

Notice was also received that the Bill (introduced on leave in the House) relative to gates at grade crossings of railroads had been referred to the next General Court, under the 12th Joint Rule, the Senate having refused to concur with the House in the suspension of the rule.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Lothrop of Cohasset, from the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Francis L. Chapin and others for a charter for a street railway wholly in the town of Southbridge. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Southbridge street railway.

By Mr. Warden of Waltham, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no legislation necessary, on the tenth annual report of the Trustees of the Danvers Lunatic Hospital. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Warden, and sent up for concurrence.

Danvers Lunatic Hospital.

By Mr. Wadlin of Reading, from the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to such legislation as will enable railroad corporations to take or abolish any private way across railroad tracks or its lands used for railroad purposes.

Private ways across railroad tracks.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, no further legislation necessary, on the annual report of the Railroad Commissioners.

Annual report of the Railroad Commissioners.

Severally read, and, on motion of Mr. Wadlin, the rule was suspended in each case, and the reports were severally laid on the table.

By Mr. Adams of Lowell, from the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor of Cambridge for such legislation as will remedy the nuisance now existing by reason of the tracks of the Boston and Albany Railroad crossing the streets of said city at grade. Read, and, on motion of Mr. Adams, the rule was suspended, and the report was laid on the table.

Tracks of the Boston and Albany Railroad in Cambridge.

By Mr. Gile of Worcester, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to increase the capital stock of the Worcester Steel Works.

Worcester Steel Works.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the New Bedford Board of Trade.

New Bedford Board of Trade

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve (introduced on leave) in relation to public records of parishes, towns and counties ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Public records of parishes, towns and counties.

Grade crossings
on railroads.

By Mr. Wadlin of Reading, from the committee on Railroads, on an order, a Resolve for the appointment of a commission to consider the subject of the abolition of grade crossings on railroads.

Worcester Lunatic Hospital,
— street in
Worcester.

By Mr. Frost of Boston, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, on a petition, a Bill to authorize the city of Worcester to lay out a street over land of the Commonwealth at Worcester.

Severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Discharged from the Orders.

Taxation of fire
and marine
insurance
companies.

On motion of Mr. Farren of Boston, the Bill to amend chapter 13 of the Public Statutes relating to the taxation of fire and marine insurance companies was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Taxation, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, recommitted to the committee on Taxation.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
Day.

Bills :

Providing for special judgments in certain cases where bonds are given to dissolve attachments or to prosecute reviews ;

To fix the amount of real and personal estate to be held by the overseers of the poor in the city of Boston ; and

To amend chapter 374 of the Acts of the year 1885 relating to the inspection and construction of buildings in the city of Boston ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To regulate the hours of labor of conductors and drivers upon street railways ;

To authorize the town of Plymouth to establish a system of sewerage (amended on motion of Mr. Finney of Plymouth) ;

To provide armories for the Massachusetts Volunteer Militia ;

Concerning the assessment of taxes in certain cases ;

To amend section 4 of chapter 11 of the Public Statutes relating to the taxation of personal estates ; and

In further addition to an act making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year and for certain other expenses authorized by law ; and the

Resolve authorizing the sale of land by the trustees of the State Almshouse at Tewksbury ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to incorporate the city of Quincy was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to prevent deception in the manufacture and sale of butter was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. Mr. Gracey of Salem moved to amend by adding in section 1, line 4, after the word "sell," the words "butter colored by any substance not naturally belonging to unadulterated milk or cream or." Mr. Bot-
tum of Northampton raised the point of order that the amendment was broader than scope of the subject-matter on which the bill was based. The Speaker declared the point well taken and the amendment was ruled out. After debate, the bill was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Point of order.

The House concurred with the Senate in the amendments to the Bill in relation to the employment of children, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The Bill to establish a naval battalion to be attached to the volunteer militia was read a third time, and, pending the question on its engrossment, it was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Raymond of Somerville.

The Resolve providing for an investigation of the pollution of ponds and streams from which ice is cut for domestic use was considered. After debate, its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Finance, was negatived, and the resolve was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The report of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition (recommitted) of Causten Browne and others for regulation of fares on street railways in the city of Boston, was considered. Mr. Parkman of Boston moved to amend by the substitution of a " Bill

to provide for the issuing of transfer checks on street railways in the city of Boston," pending which, and pending the main question on the acceptance of the report, it was, on motion of Mr. Dresser of Medford, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

The Bill to incorporate the Cary Library was read a third time and considered. Mr. Quincy of Quincy moved certain amendments, pending which, and pending the main question on the engrossment of the bill, it was, on motion of Mr. Wilde of Malden, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, to be placed first in the orders of the day for the afternoon.

The Bill to fix the tenure of office of the members of the police force of the city of Worcester was read a third time and considered. Mr. Mellen of Worcester moved to amend by the substitution of a bill with the same title, pending which, and pending the main question on the engrossment of the bill, it was, on further motion of Mr. Mellen, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

The report of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation concerning the collection of statistics as to the number of wage earners and deposits made by them in savings banks, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Street Railways, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the Hyde Park Street Railway Company for authority to issue coupon or registered bonds to an amount not exceeding \$100,000, and to secure the same by a mortgage on its road, franchise and property, was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Wyman of Hyde Park.

At ten minutes before five o'clock, adjourned.

TUESDAY, May 8, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Papers from the Senate.

A Bill concerning judgment and execution in favor of adverse claimants in trustee process (reported on an order), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Trustee
process.

The House Bill to increase the number of the members of the Board of Control of the Massachusetts Agricultural Experiment Station, passed to be engrossed by the House, came down from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments, in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Brigham of Marlborough, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Massachusetts
Agricultural
Experiment
Station.

The Bill to provide for the better accommodation of the State government in the city of Boston, passed to be engrossed by the House, came down from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Fales of Norwood, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

New State
House.

Notice was received from the Senate that the Bill (introduced on leave in the Senate) to regulate the general supply of water had been rejected by that branch.

General supply
of water.*Reports of Committees.*

By Mr. Quincy of Quincy, from the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to consolidating into one act all laws whose enforcement is within the authority of the district police force, and all laws relating in any way to said force, with such changes therein as may seem desirable. Read and placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon.

District police
force.

By Mr. Bottum of Northampton, from the committee on the Judiciary, no legislation necessary, on the abstract of returns of registers of deeds. Read and accepted,

Abstract of
returns of
registers of
deeds.

under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Parkman of Boston.

Abstract of
returns of
sheriffs.

By Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, from the committee on the Judiciary, no legislation necessary, on the abstract of returns of sheriffs. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Pinkerton.

City of Woburn.

By Mr. Parkman of Boston, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the city of Woburn.

Division of
wards in cities.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on an order, a Bill to provide for a new division of wards in cities.

Public parks of
the city of
Boston.

By Mr. Slocum of Newton, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to enable the city of Boston, for the purpose of obtaining lands for its public parks, to incur indebtedness outside of the limit fixed by law.

Avon Cemetery
Association.

By Mr. Holman of Clinton, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Avon Cemetery Association in the town of Avon.

Eastern Rail-
road Company.

By Mr. Symonds of Salem, from the committee on Railroads, on petitions, a Bill to amend an act to give the Trustees of the Eastern Railroad Company additional authority to invest the sinking fund of said corporation.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Taken from the Table.

Naval battalion
to be attached
to the volunteer
militia.

On motion of Mr. Martin of Lynn, the Bill to establish a naval battalion to be attached to the volunteer militia was taken from the table and considered, the question being on its engrossment. Amendments moved by Mr. Martin were adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

In relation to the release of prisoners from the Massachusetts Reformatory ;

To punish the sending of women and girls to houses of ill-fame and their detention therein ;

For the protection of great ponds ;

To provide for rebuilding the bridge across the Connecticut River between Holyoke and South Hadley ;

To establish additional terms of the Superior Court for the county of Bristol ;

To require the equipment of fire departments with apparatus for the saving of life at fires ;

To amend an act to authorize county commissioners to control travel over bridges constructed or maintained in whole or in part by a county ;

To regulate the erection and construction of certain buildings ;

To authorize the town of Marlborough to construct and maintain a system of sewerage and sewage disposal ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To enable tenants under obligation to pay taxes assessed on real estate to apply for an abatement thereof (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to re-enacting the provisions of law contained in chapter 198 of the Acts of 1866, so far as they relate to the detention in the State Almshouse and the State Farm of any of the descriptions of persons contained in sections 29 and 37 of chapter 207 of the Public Statutes, and of extending such provisions to the inmates of city almshouses, was accepted, in concurrence. Orders of the Day.

Bills :

To incorporate the New Bedford Board of Trade ;

To increase the capital stock of the Worcester Steel Works ; and the

Resolve in relation to public records of parishes, towns and counties ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill providing for special judgments in certain cases where bonds are given to dissolve attachments or to prosecute reviews was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to fix the amount of real and personal estate to be held by the overseers of the poor in the city of Boston

was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Patrick O'Connor and others, tour-workers in paper mills, for such legislation as will reduce the hours of labor to 65½ hours per week, and petitions in aid of the same, was further considered. Mr. Keane of Holyoke moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to regulate the hours of labor of certain employees in paper mills." On motion of Mr. Barrett of Melrose, it was voted that debate be closed at half-past twelve o'clock unless a vote should be sooner reached. On the question on the substitution of the bill the yeas and nays were ordered at the request of Mr. Keane of Holyoke, and, the roll being called, the bill was rejected by a vote of 58 yeas to 90 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen, John J.

Berry, Francis T.
Boardman, Francis
Brigham, Arthur A.
Brooks, A. Olin
Burnham, William Howe
Call, Charles A.
Calnan, Patrick J.
Carey, William H.
Carney, Michael
Carroll, Peter T.
Champlin, Arthur B.
Clark, David H.
Conroy, James
Coveney, John W.
Cronin, James M.
Delano, John W.
Dolan, Bernard
Farren, Thomas G.
Flynn, Edward J.
Flynn, Thomas J.
Garity, Michael
Gibson, George W.
Griswold, Freeman C.
Hagerty, David J.
Haggerty, Charles
Hastings, William H.
Hayes, Elihu B.
Holbrook, John A.

Messrs. Keane, Jeremiah J.

Kennedy, Patrick J.
Lally, James, Jr.
Lyons, Henry S.
McCarthy, Patrick
McCooley, Thomas
McDonald, Robert H.
McEnaney, Thomas O.
Mellen, James H.
Monahan, William H.
Norwood, Caleb J.
O'Brien, Dennis J.
O'Mealey, John W.
O'Neil, John W.
Poore, William H.
Pratt, Harvey H.
Provin, William
Quinn, Andrew
Quinn, Dennis J.
Quinn, Philip H.
Richards, James H.
Risteen, John C.
Robinson, Ethan C.
Sullivan, Michael F.
Towne, Joseph L.
Wilkinson, John W.
Willis, Rufus H.
Winthrop, John
Woodward, Charles F.

NATS.

Messrs. Adams, Charles E.	Messrs. Hooper, George M.
Allen, Montessor T.	Hunt, George H.
Babbitt, Rollin H.	Kearn, George H.
Barrett, William E.	Kimball, John W.
Bartlett, Joseph F.	Lothrop, J. Q. A.
Bixby, Charles C.	Lovell, Clarence P.
Blake, Edwin H.	Lyman, Payson W.
Bottum, John B.	Manning, Albert S.
Butler, William A.	Manning, David, Jr.
Cannell, Joseph H.	Martin, James P.
Clark, Henry	Miller, Albert E.
Close, George	Miller, Lyman M.
Colby, John F.	Milliken, Daniel L.
Conant, Charles W.	Morey, George F.
Conwell, David	Morton, Harrison E.
Coolidge, George H.	Nelson, Sidney T.
Crowell, Joshua	Peirson, Henry M.
Cutler, Samuel	Pinkerton, Alfred S.
Dame, Luther	Plaisted, John W.
Davis, Edmund A.	Raymond, Francis H.
Dewey, Wilson	Riddell, Henry
Dexter, Solomon K.	Robinson, J. Henry
Dresser, Theodore P.	Rogers, Joseph W.
Eldridge, Albert R.	Rounsevell, Arthur G.
Fales, Frank A.	Sanger, Chester F.
Ferry, William F.	Shaw, Edward P.
Floyd, David, 2d	Shepard, Charles F.
Friend, Henry	Slocum, George W.
Gile, William A.	Slocum, Winfield S.
Gleason, Willard F.	Sohier, William D.
Gordon, William, Jr.	Spring, Charles E.
Goss, Charles	Story, Cyrus
Gray, Davis P.	Stowe, Elijah B.
Greenwood, Morrill A.	Taft, Robert L.
Grosvenor, Charles F.	Thayer, Rufus A.
Hall, Frederick S.	Tompkins, Isaac B.
Hartwell, Benjamin H.	Tyler, Ansel P.
Haskell, Henry C.	Upham, Samuel O.
Hatch, Franklin W.	Vanderhoop, Edwin D.
Hathaway, James A.	Wales, Abijah T.
Haynes, Henry D.	Wharton, William F.
Hill, Luther	White, William L., Jr.
Hinchcliffe, William J.	Winchester, Reuben
Hitchcock, Calvin	Witt, Charles T.
Holman, Frank E.	Wright, Arthur

On this question, Messrs. Breed of Lynn, McDonough of Boston, Collison of Boston, Gagan of Boston, Dunlea of Boston, Sullivan of Boston, E. J. Donovan of Boston, Raymond of Hinsdale, Finney of Plymouth, Dame of Methuen, Hayes of Boston, McEttrick of Boston, Russell of Maynard, Eames of Lawrence, Doherty of Boston, Carman of Fall River, Seavey of Medway and James Donovan of Boston, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired, respectively, with Messrs. Sanford of Boston, McCall of Winchester, Southwick of Peabody, Gleason of Boston, Henry of Fall River, Rugg of New Bedford, Wardwell of Haverhill, Wiley of Hardwick, Simonds of Westminster, Jaques of Haverhill, Warden of Waltham, Fisk of Boston, Pierce of Watertown, Wyman of Hyde Park, Turner of Norwell, Waters of Orange, Ware of Boston and Symonds of Salem.

The report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

At one o'clock adjourned, the House having previously suspended the rule relating to adjournment at a quarter before one o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Roll Call.

Roll call.

At five minutes past two o'clock, on motion of Mr. Story of Gloucester, the roll was called, and it appeared that 146 members were present, the following-named gentlemen having responded to the call:—

Messrs. Adams, Charles E.
Allen, John J.
Atherton, Horace H.
Atwood, Harrison H.
Babbitt, Rollin H.
Backup, John
Barrett, William E.
Berry, Francis T.
Bixby, Charles C.
Blake, Edwin H.
Boardman, Francis
Bottum, John B.
Brady, Peter J.
Breed, Arthur B.
Brigham, Arthur A.

Messrs. Brooks, A. Olin
Burnham, William Howe
Butler, William A.
Carey, William H.
Carman, William A.
Carney, Michael
Carroll, Peter T.
Champlin, Arthur B.
Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.
Church, Moses D.
Clark, David H.
Clark, Henry
Colby, John F.
Collison, Harvey N.
Conant, Charles W.

Messrs. Conroy, James
 Conwell, David
 Coveney, John W.
 Cronin, James M.
 Crowell, Joshua
 Dame, Albert L.
 Dame, Luther
 Davis, Edmund A.
 Delano, John W.
 Dewey, Wilson
 Doherty, John
 Dolan, Bernard
 Dresser, Theodore P.
 Driscoll, John
 Eames, Harry M.
 Eldridge, Albert R.
 Fales, Frank A.
 Fisher, Albert L.
 Floyd, David, 2d
 Fottler, Jacob
 Frost, Henry
 Gibson, George W.
 Gleason, Joseph H.
 Gleason, Willard F.
 Gracey, Samuel L.
 Gray, Davis P.
 Greenwood, Morrill A.
 Griswold, Freeman C.
 Gunn, Daniel
 Hagerty, David J.
 Hall, Frederick S.
 Haskell, Henry C.
 Hatch, Franklin W.
 Hayes, Elihu B.
 Haynes, Henry D.
 Hill, Luther
 Hitchcock, Calvin
 Holbrook, John A.
 Hunt, George H.
 Jaques, Alden P.
 Keane, Jeremiah J.
 Kearn, George H.
 Kendall, Horace M.
 Lothrop, J. Q. A.
 Lyman, Payson W.
 Lyons, Henry S.
 Manning, Albert S.
 Manning, David, Jr.
 Martin, James P.
 McCall, Samuel W.

Messrs. McCarthy, Patrick
 McDonald, Robert H.
 McDonough, John H.
 McEttrick, Michael J.
 Mellen, James H.
 Miller, Albert E.
 Miller, Lyman M.
 Milliken, Daniel L.
 Milne, John C.
 Monahan, William H.
 Morey, George F.
 Morton, Harrison E.
 Nelson, Sidney T.
 Norwood, Caleb J.
 O'Brien, Dennis J.
 O'Neill, Thomas F.
 Peirson, Henry M.
 Perkins, Nathaniel R.
 Perry, George R.
 Pierce, Charles Q.
 Pinkerton, Alfred S.
 Plaisted, John W.
 Poore, William H.
 Provin, William
 Quinn, Andrew
 Quinn, Dennis J.
 Raymond, Samuel M.
 Richards, James H.
 Riddell, Henry
 Robinson, Ethan C.
 Robinson, J. Henry
 Rogers, Joseph W.
 Rogers, Samuel N.
 Rounsevell, Arthur G.
 Russell, Alvin D.
 Russell, Irving L.
 Sanford, Alpheus
 Sanger, Chester F.
 Seavey, Charles W.
 Shepard, Charles F.
 Simonds, S. Dwight
 Slocum, George W.
 Slocum, Winfield S.
 Sohler, William D.
 Southwick, Benjamin F.
 Spring, Charles E.
 Story, Cyrus
 Stowe, Elijah B.
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 Symonds, Charles H.

Messrs. Taft, Robert L.

Thayer, Rufus A.

Thompson, Albert G.

Towne, Joseph L.

Trull, George W.

Turner, Henry A.

Vanderhoop, Edwin D.

Wadlin, Horace G.

Messrs. Warden, Erskine

White, William L., Jr.

Wilde, William A.

Wiley, Albert L.

Wilkinson, John W.

Winthrop, John

Woods, Frank F.

Wright, Arthur

*Papers from the Senate.*Committee on
Mercantile
Affairs.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Mercantile Affairs be granted until May 15 to report upon the orders relative to placing electric wires under ground.

Committee on
Banks and
Banking.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Banks and Banking be granted until May 15 to report upon the several petitions now before it for the incorporation of loan and trust companies.

*Reports of Committees.*Executions on
judgments
against absent
defendants.

By Mr. Colby of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 8 of chapter 164 of the Public Statutes relative to executions on judgments against absent defendants.

Lottery com-
panies of other
states doing
business in this
Common-
wealth.

By Mr. Wharton of Boston, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to preventing lottery companies of other states from doing business in this Commonwealth.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Report of the
Board of Police
of the city of
Boston.

By Mr. Collison of Boston, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, no further legislation necessary, on certain portions of the third annual report of the Board of Police of the city of Boston. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Collison, and sent up for concurrence.

Inspection of
buildings
alleged to be
unsafe.

By Mr. Wharton of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill providing for the inspection in certain cases of buildings and other structures alleged to be unsafe or dangerous.

Safety of rail-
road employees.

By Mr. Wadlin of Reading, from the committee on Railroads, that the Bill (recommitted) relating to danger

signals upon railroads ought to pass in the form of a resolve, with the title "Resolve relative to the safety of railroad employees."

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Motion to Reconsider.

Mr. Keane of Holyoke moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, this morning, accepted the report of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Patrick O'Connor and others, tour-workers in paper mills, for such legislation as will reduce the hours of labor to 65½ hours per week, and petitions in aid of the same. After debate, the motion was lost by a vote of 58 to 108.

Hours of labor
of tour-workers
in paper mills.

Orders of the Day.

Reports :

Of the committee on Labor, inexpedient to legislate :

Orders of the
Day.

On an order relative to regulating the employing of male employees by manufacturing, mechanical and mercantile firms and railroad corporations where said employees are required to labor more than ten hours per day ; and

On an order relative to consolidating into one act all laws whose enforcement is within the authority of the district police force, and all laws relating in any way to said force, with such changes therein as may seem desirable ; and

Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Francis L. Chapin and others for a charter for a street railway wholly in the town of Southbridge ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To incorporate the Avon Cemetery Association in the town of Avon ;

To incorporate the city of Woburn ;

To enable the city of Boston, for the purpose of obtaining lands for its public parks, to incur indebtedness outside of the limit fixed by law ; and

Concerning judgment and execution in favor of adverse claimants in trustee process ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to incorporate the New Bedford Board of Trade; and the

Resolve in relation to public records of parishes, towns and counties;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to incorporate the Cary Library was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. The pending amendments moved by Mr. Quincy of Quincy were rejected, and the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition (recommitted) of Causten Browne and others for regulation of fares on street railways in the city of Boston, was further considered. After debate, the "Bill to provide for the issuing of transfer checks on street railways in the city of Boston," moved as an amendment by Mr. Parkman of Boston, was substituted by a vote of 86 to 18, and, having been read, was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The Bill to fix the tenure of office of the members of the police force of the city of Worcester was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. The bill moved as a substitute by Mr. Mellen of Worcester was withdrawn by that gentleman, there being no objection. Mr. Symonds of Salem moved to amend section 3 so that it read:—

"*Section 3.* This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the city council of said city by concurrent vote on or before the first day of March, eighteen hundred and eighty-nine."

The amendment was adopted, and, after debate, the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

At eight minutes past five o'clock, adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, May 9, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Samuel L. Gracey of Salem, a member of the House.

Petition Presented.

By Mr. Nelson of Lakeville, petition of William C. Nye that he may be made eligible to receive State aid. Referred to the committee on Military Affairs, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence. William C. Nye.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, a Resolve in favor of Ellen C. Johnson. Read, and, on motion of Mr. Ware of Boston, the 12th Joint Rule was suspended, and the resolve was sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule. Ellen C. Johnson.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Lovell of Boston,—

Ordered, That the committee on Expediting Legislative Business report as soon as practicable when, in their judgment, the Legislature can be prorogued without detriment to the public business. Prorogation.

Sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, reference to the next General Court, on the bills (severally introduced on leave in the Senate) :

To amend chapter 91 of the Public Statutes relating to inland fisheries and kelp; and Inland fisheries and kelp.

To amend chapter 276 of the Acts of the year 1886 relating to the preservation of birds and game; and Birds and game.

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to amending the present limit law in relation to the hunting of woodcock; Woodcock.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon.

Haverhill City
Hospital.

A Bill to incorporate the trustees of the Haverhill City Hospital (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Centennial cele-
bration of the
settlement of
Ohio.

A Resolve relative to the centennial celebration of the settlement of Ohio, and the establishment of civil government in the Northwest Territory (reported on a message from the Governor, taken from the files of last year, transmitting an invitation from the State of Ohio to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Reports of Committees.

Labor of
prisoners.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the committee on Finance, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the Bill in relation to the labor of prisoners, and recommending that the same be recommitted to the committee on Prisons. Read and accepted, and the bill was recommitted.

Distribution of
money invested
by order of Pro-
bate Courts.

By Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, from the committee on the Judiciary, on so much of the supplementary report of the Commissioners of Savings Banks as relates to deposits by Judges of Probate, and on orders, a Bill providing for the final distribution of sums of money deposited or invested by order of Probate Courts.

Ancient and
Honorable
Artillery
Company.

By Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve making an appropriation for the firing of a salute on the occasion of the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the organization of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company ought to pass in a new draft, with the title "Resolve providing for a salute in honor of the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the organization of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company."

Settlement of
claims for pen-
sions against
the United
States govern-
ment.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the same committee, that the Bill to expedite the settlement of claims for pensions ought to pass in the form of a resolve, with the title "Resolve providing assistance to soldiers and sailors in the settlement of their claims for pensions and bounties against the United States Government."

Appointment of
electors of Pres-
ident and Vice-
President of the
United States.

By Mr. Wharton of Boston, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill for the final determination of contests concerning the appointment of

electors of President and Vice-President of the United States.

By Mr. Atwood of Boston, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, that the Bill (recommitted) to incorporate the Boston Suburban Land Company ought to pass in a new draft with the same title. Boston Suburban Land Company.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Bill in relation to the evidence given at inquests ought to pass. Evidence given at inquests.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of the town of Florida ought to pass. Florida.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon for a second reading.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill to fix the salaries of the Railroad Commissioners ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon, the question being on the rejection of the bill. Salaries of the Railroad Commissioners.

By Mr. Riddell of Nantucket, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Patience E. Smith. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance. Patience E. Smith.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Concerning the negotiability of certain promissory notes and other instruments ; Bills enacted.

In relation to the salary of the agent for discharged female prisoners ;

Authorizing foreign manufacturing corporations to hold real estate in this Commonwealth ; and

To establish the salaries of the matrons, deputy matrons and assistant matrons in the Reformatory Prison for Women ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

An engrossed Resolve providing for certain expenses attending the meeting of the National Prison Association, and for the use of the hall of the House of Representa- Resolve passed.

tives for the meetings of said association (which originated in the House) was passed, signed, and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders.

New division of
wards in cities.

On motion of Mr. Collison of Boston, the Bill to provide for a new division of wards in cities was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Friday.

Orders of the Day.

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Reports :

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to preventing lottery companies of other States from doing business in this Commonwealth ; and

On an order relative to amending section 8 of chapter 164 of the Public Statutes relative to executions on judgments against absent defendants ;

Were severally accepted.

The Bill to provide for the issuing of transfer checks on street railways in the city of Boston was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

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To enable the city of Boston, for the purpose of obtaining lands for its public parks, to incur indebtedness outside of the limit fixed by law ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Education, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology for aid from the Commonwealth was further considered. Mr. Wadlin of Reading moved to amend by the substitution of a "Resolve in favor of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology," pending which, and pending an amendment moved thereto by Mr. Sohier of Beverly, the House,

At fifteen minutes before one o'clock, adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, was adopted, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule : —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation that will prevent the desecration of graves by the removal of flowers, flags or any memorial token therefrom. Desecration of graves.

Papers from the Senate.

Bills :

In relation to the Bay State Gas Company (reported on a petition) ; and Bay State Gas Company.

Authorizing the Gas Commissioners to license certain gas companies to make and sell water gas for illuminating purposes (substituted in the Senate for a report of the committee on Manufactures, inexpedient to legislate) ; Water gas.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

In relation to clerical assistance for the Commissioners of Prisons ; Bills enacted.

In relation to bonds of city and town clerks ;

To enable incorporated religious societies to make by-laws ;

In relation to bonds on appeal in actions for the summary process for the recovery of land ;

To provide for increasing the amount which may be advanced from the treasury for aiding prisoners discharged from the Massachusetts Reformatory and to provide for aiding prisoners removed therefrom ; and

To amend chapter 217 of the Acts of the year 1882 relating to returns of property held for benevolent, charitable or scientific purposes ; and

To increase the number of members of the Board of Control of the Massachusetts Agricultural Experiment Station ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

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Reports of Committees.

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prisoners.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the committee on Finance, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the Bill in relation to the labor of prisoners, and recommending that the same be recommitted to the committee on Prisons. Read and accepted, and the bill was recommitted.

Distribution of
money invested
by order of Pro-
bate Courts.

By Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, from the committee on the Judiciary, on so much of the supplementary report of the Commissioners of Savings Banks as relates to deposits by Judges of Probate, and on orders, a Bill providing for the final distribution of sums of money deposited or invested by order of Probate Courts.

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Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Bill in relation to the evidence given at inquests ought to pass. Evidence given at inquests.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of the town of Florida ought to pass. Florida.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon for a second reading.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill to fix the salaries of the Railroad Commissioners ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon, the question being on the rejection of the bill. Salaries of the Railroad Commissioners.

By Mr. Riddell of Nantucket, from the committee on Military Affairs, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of Patience E. Smith. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance. Patience E. Smith.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Concerning the negotiability of certain promissory notes and other instruments ; Bills enacted.

In relation to the salary of the agent for discharged female prisoners ;

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To establish the salaries of the matrons, deputy matrons and assistant matrons in the Reformatory Prison for Women ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed, and sent to the Senate.

An engrossed Resolve providing for certain expenses attending the meeting of the National Prison Association, and for the use of the hall of the House of Representa- Resolve passed.

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 Turner, Henry A.
 Vanderhoop, Edwin D.
 Wadlin, Horace G.

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 Wilde, William A.
 Wiley, Albert L.
 Wilkinson, John W.
 Winthrop, John
 Woods, Frank F.
 Wright, Arthur

Papers from the Senate.

Committee on
 Mercantile
 Affairs.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Mercantile Affairs be granted until May 15 to report upon the orders relative to placing electric wires under ground.

Committee on
 Banks and
 Banking.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Banks and Banking be granted until May 15 to report upon the several petitions now before it for the incorporation of loan and trust companies.

Reports of Committees.

Executions on
 judgments
 against absent
 defendants.

By Mr. Colby of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 8 of chapter 164 of the Public Statutes relative to executions on judgments against absent defendants.

Lottery com-
 panies of other
 states doing
 business in this
 Common-
 wealth.

By Mr. Wharton of Boston, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to preventing lottery companies of other states from doing business in this Commonwealth.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Report of the
 Board of Police
 of the city of
 Boston.

By Mr. Collison of Boston, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, no further legislation necessary, on certain portions of the third annual report of the Board of Police of the city of Boston. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Collison, and sent up for concurrence.

Inspection of
 buildings
 alleged to be
 unsafe.

By Mr. Wharton of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill providing for the inspection in certain cases of buildings and other structures alleged to be unsafe or dangerous.

Safety of rail-
 road employees.

By Mr. Wadlin of Reading, from the committee on Railroads, that the Bill (recommitted) relating to danger

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Keane of Holyoke moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, this morning, accepted the report of the committee on Labor, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Patrick O'Connor and others, tour-workers in paper mills, for such legislation as will reduce the hours of labor to 65½ hours per week, and petitions in aid of the same. After debate, the motion was lost by a vote of 58 to 108.

Reports :

On an order relative to regulating the employing of male employees by manufacturing, mechanical and mercantile firms and railroad corporations where said employees are required to labor more than ten hours per day; and

Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Francis L. Chapin and others for a charter for a street railway wholly in the town of Southbridge;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

To incorporate the Avon Cemetery Association in the town of Avon ;

To enable the city of Boston, for the purpose of obtaining lands for its public parks, to incur indebtedness outside of the limit fixed by law; and

Concerning judgment and execution in favor of adverse claimants in trustee process ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to incorporate the New Bedford Board of Trade; and the

Resolve in relation to public records of parishes, towns and counties;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to incorporate the Cary Library was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. The pending amendments moved by Mr. Quincy of Quincy were rejected, and the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition (recommitted) of Causten Browne and others for regulation of fares on street railways in the city of Boston, was further considered. After debate, the "Bill to provide for the issuing of transfer checks on street railways in the city of Boston," moved as an amendment by Mr. Parkman of Boston, was substituted by a vote of 86 to 18, and, having been read, was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The Bill to fix the tenure of office of the members of the police force of the city of Worcester was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. The bill moved as a substitute by Mr. Mellen of Worcester was withdrawn by that gentleman, there being no objection. Mr. Symonds of Salem moved to amend section 3 so that it read:—

"*Section 3.* This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the city council of said city by concurrent vote on or before the first day of March, eighteen hundred and eighty-nine."

The amendment was adopted, and, after debate, the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

At eight minutes past five o'clock, adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, May 9, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Samuel L. Gracey of Salem, a member of the House.

Petition Presented.

By Mr. Nelson of Lakeville, petition of William C. Nye that he may be made eligible to receive State aid. Referred to the committee on Military Affairs, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, a Resolve in favor of Ellen C. Johnson. Read, and, on motion of Mr. Ware of Boston, the 12th Joint Rule was suspended, and the resolve was sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Lovell of Boston,—

Ordered, That the committee on Expediting Legislative Business report as soon as practicable when, in their judgment, the Legislature can be prorogued without detriment to the public business.

Sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports :

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, reference to the next General Court, on the bills (severally introduced on leave in the Senate) :

To amend chapter 91 of the Public Statutes relating to inland fisheries and kelp ; and

To amend chapter 276 of the Acts of the year 1886 relating to the preservation of birds and game ; and

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to amending the present limit law in relation to the hunting of woodcock ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon.

Haverhill City
Hospital.

A Bill to incorporate the trustees of the Haverhill City Hospital (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

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Discharged from the Orders.

New division of
wards in cities.

On motion of Mr. Collison of Boston, the Bill to provide for a new division of wards in cities was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until Friday.

Orders of the Day.

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Reports :

Of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate :

On an order relative to preventing lottery companies of other States from doing business in this Commonwealth ; and

On an order relative to amending section 8 of chapter 164 of the Public Statutes relative to executions on judgments against absent defendants ;

Were severally accepted.

The Bill to provide for the issuing of transfer checks on street railways in the city of Boston was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To increase the capital stock of the Worcester Steel Works ;

To incorporate the city of Woburn ; and

To enable the city of Boston, for the purpose of obtaining lands for its public parks, to incur indebtedness outside of the limit fixed by law ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Education, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology for aid from the Commonwealth was further considered. Mr. Wadlin of Reading moved to amend by the substitution of a " Resolve in favor of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology," pending which, and pending an amendment moved thereto by Mr. Sohler of Beverly, the House,

At fifteen minutes before one o'clock, adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. Carpenter of Brookline, was adopted, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule : —

Ordered, That the committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of legislation that will prevent the desecration of graves by the removal of flowers, flags or any memorial token therefrom. Desecration of graves.

Papers from the Senate.

Bills :

In relation to the Bay State Gas Company (reported on a petition) ; and Bay State Gas Company.

Authorizing the Gas Commissioners to license certain gas companies to make and sell water gas for illuminating purposes (substituted in the Senate for a report of the committee on Manufactures, inexpedient to legislate) ; Water gas.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

In relation to clerical assistance for the Commissioners of Prisons ; Bills enacted.

In relation to bonds of city and town clerks ;

To enable incorporated religious societies to make by-laws ;

In relation to bonds on appeal in actions for the summary process for the recovery of land ;

To provide for increasing the amount which may be advanced from the treasury for aiding prisoners discharged from the Massachusetts Reformatory and to provide for aiding prisoners removed therefrom ; and

To amend chapter 217 of the Acts of the year 1882 relating to returns of property held for benevolent, charitable or scientific purposes ; and

To increase the number of members of the Board of Control of the Massachusetts Agricultural Experiment Station ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To fix the amount of real and personal estate to be held by the overseers of the poor in the city of Boston ;

To incorporate the Middlesex Land Company in the county of Middlesex ; and

Authorizing towns to regulate the catching of pickerel ;
(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders.

Safety of railroad employees.

On motion of Mr. Pratt of Abington, the Resolve relative to the safety of railroad employees was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, laid on the table.

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Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, reference to the next General Court, on the Bill (introduced on leave in the Senate) to amend chapter 91 of the Public Statutes relating to inland fisheries and kelp ; and

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on the Bill (introduced on leave in the Senate) to amend chapter 276 of the Acts of the year 1886 relating to the preservation of birds and game ; and

Of the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to amending the present limit law in relation to the hunting of woodcock ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To amend an act to give the trustees of the Eastern Railroad Company additional authority to invest the sinking fund of said corporation ;

Providing for the inspection in certain cases of buildings and other structures alleged to be unsafe or dangerous ;

Providing for the final distribution of sums of money deposited or invested by order of Probate Courts ;

For the final determination of contests concerning the appointment of electors of President and Vice-President of the United States ;

In relation to the evidence given at inquests ; and

To incorporate the trustees of the Haverhill City Hospital ; and

Resolves :

Providing for an investigation of the pollution of ponds and streams from which ice is cut for domestic use ;

In favor of the town of Florida ; and

Providing for a salute in honor of the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the organization of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To amend and codify the statutes relating to the collection of taxes ;

To amend chapter 374 of the Acts of the year 1885 relating to the inspection and construction of buildings in the city of Boston ; and

To provide for the issuing of transfer checks on street railways in the city of Boston ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill concerning judgment and execution in favor of adverse claimants in trustee process was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The report of the committee on Education, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology for aid from the Commonwealth, was further considered. The pending amendment, moved by Mr. Sohier of Beverly, to the pending substitute, was withdrawn by that gentleman, there being no objection. An amendment, moved by Mr. Wharton of Boston, to the resolve moved as a substitute, was adopted, and, after debate, the resolve as amended was substituted and was referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

The Bill prescribing the minimum fees for liquor licenses was read a third time and considered. Mr. McEttrick of Boston moved to amend by the substitution of a bill with the same title. After debate, on the question of substitution the yeas and nays were ordered at the request of Mr. McEttrick, and the roll being called the substitute bill was rejected by a vote of 57 yeas to 121 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen, Montessor T.	Messrs. Hayes, Elihu B.
Atwood, Harrison H.	Hayes, John E.
Backup, John	Keane, Jeremiah J.
Bennett, Charles H.	Kearn, George H.
Berry, Francis T.	Kendall, Horace M.
Calnan, Patrick J.	Kennedy, Patrick J.
Carey, William H.	Lally, James, Jr.
Carman, William A.	Lyons, Henry S.
Carney, Michael	McCooley, Thomas
Collison, Harvey N.	McDonald, Robert H.
Conroy, James,	McEnaney, Thomas O.
Coveney, John W.	McEttrick, Michael J.
Dame, Albert L.	Monahan, William H.
Dame, Luther	Morin, John M.
Delano, John W.	O'Brien, Dennis J.
Desmond, Jeremiah	O'Mealey, John W.
Doherty, John	O'Neil, John W.
Dolan, Bernard	Perry, George R.
Donovan, Edward J.	Provin, William
Donovan, James	Quinn, Andrew
Dunlea, James J.	Quinn, Dennis J.
Farren, Thomas G.	Quinn, Philip H.
Finney, Elkanah	Raymond, Samuel M.
Flynn, Edward J.	Riddell, Henry
Flynn, Thomas J.	Robinson, Ethan C.
Gagan, Edward	Sullivan, Thomas F.
Garity, Michael	Winchester, Reuben
Hagerty, David J.	Winthrop, John
Hastings, William H.	

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen, John J.	Messrs. Cannell, Joseph H.
Armstrong, William O.	Champlin, Arthur B.
Atherton, Horace H.	Church, Moses D.
Babbitt, Rollin H.	Clark, Henry
Barrett, William E.	Clark, Schuyler
Bartlett, Joseph F.	Close, George
Bixby, Charles C.	Colby, John F.
Bottum, John B.	Conant, Charles W.
Brackett, Albert A.	Conwell, David,
Brigham, Arthur A.	Crowell, Joshua
Brooks, A. Olin	Cutler, Samuel
Brown, John F.	Davis, Edmund A.
Burnham, William Howe	Dennis, George
Butler, William A.	Dewey, Wilson
Call, Charles A.	Dexter, Solomon K.

Messrs. Dresser, Theodore P.	Messrs. Perkins, Nathaniel R.
Eldridge, Albert R.	Pierce, Charles Q.
Ferry, William F.	Pinkerton, Alfred S.
Fisk, Edward P.	Plaisted, John W.
Floyd, David, 2d.	Read, John
Fottler, Jacob	Richards, James H.
Friend, Henry	Robinson, J. Henry
Frost, Henry	Rogers, Joseph W.
Gile, William A.	Rogerson, William B.
Gleason, Joseph H.	Rounsevell, Arthur G.
Gleason, Willard F.	Rugg, Charles P.
Gordon, William, Jr.	Russell, Alvin D.
Gray, Davis P.	Sanford, Alpheus
Greenwood, Morrill A.	Sanger, Chester F.
Grosvenor, Charles F.	Seavey, Charles W.
Gunn, Daniel	Shepard, Charles F.
Hall, Frederick S.	Slocum, Winfield S.
Hartwell, Benjamin H.	Smith, Sidney P.
Hatch, Franklin W.	Southwick, Benjamin F.
Hathaway, James A.	Story, Cyrus
Haynes, Henry D.	Stowe, Elijah B.
Henry, Robert	Taft, Robert L.
Hill, Luther	Thompson, Albert G.
Hinchcliffe, William J.	Tompkins, Isaac B.
Hitchcock, Calvin	Trull, George W.
Hixon, William S.	Turner, Henry A.
Holman, Frank E.	Tyler, Ansel P.
Jaques, Alden P.	Upham, Samuel O.
Kimball, John W.	Vanderhoop, Edwin D.
Leach, William T.	Wadlin, Horace G.
Lothrop, J. Q. A.	Wales, Abijah T.
Lovell, Clarence P.	Walworth, Arthur C.
Lyman, Payson W.	Warden, Erskine
Manning, Albert S.	Wardwell, J. Otis
Manning, David, Jr.	Ware, M. Everett
Martin, James P.	Waters, Franklin L.
McCarthy, Patrick	Wharton, William F.
Miller, Albert E.	Whitcher, James E.
Miller, Lyman M.	White, William L., Jr.
Milliken, Daniel L.	Wilde, William A.
Milne, John C.	Wiley, Albert L.
Morey, George F.	Wilkinson, John W.
Morton, Harrison E.	Willis, Rufus H.
Nelson, Sidney T.	Wright, Arthur
Norwood, Caleb J.	Wyman, Ferdinand A.
Pear, Isaac S.	

Yeas, 57; nays, 121.

On this question, Messrs. McDonough of Boston, Cronin of Worcester, Pratt of Abington, Mellen of Worcester, Towne of Lynn, Sullivan of Lawrence, Haggerty of Southbridge, Gibson of Chicopee, Boardman of Marblehead, Poore of Bradford, Carroll of Worcester and Leary of Boston, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired, respectively, with Messrs. Fales of Norwood, Adams of Lowell, Merrill of Quincy, Quincy of Quincy, Sohler of Beverly, McCall of Winchester, Hooper of Bridgewater, Raymond of Somerville, Carpenter of Brookline, Clark of Natick, Cheney of Worcester and Gracey of Salem.

On the main question on the engrossment of the bill, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Flynn of Boston, and, the roll being called, the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, by a vote of 121 yeas to 47 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs.	Allen, John J.	Messrs.	Davis, Edmund A.
	Armstrong, William O.		Delano, John W.
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	Brewer, Edward W.		Fisk, Edward P.
	Brigham, Arthur A.		Floyd, David, 2d
	Brooks, A. Olin		Fottler, Jacob
	Burnham, William Howe		Friend, Henry
	Butler, William A.		Frost, Henry
	Cannell, Joseph H.		Gile, William A.
	Champlin, Arthur B.		Gleason, Joseph H.
	Church, Moses D.		Gleason, Willard F.
	Clark, David H.		Gordon, William, Jr.
	Clark, Henry		Gray, Davis P.
	Clark, Schuyler		Greenwood, Morrill A.
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 Jaques, Alden P.
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 Leach, William T.
 Lothrop, J. Q. A.
 Lovell, Clarence P.
 Lyman, Payson W.
 Manning, Albert S.
 Manning, David, Jr.
 Martin, James P.
 McCarthy, Patrick
 Miller, Albert E.
 Miller, Lyman M.
 Milliken, Daniel L.
 Milne, John C.
 Morey, George F.
 Morton, Harrison E.
 Nelson, Sidney T.
 Norwood, Caleb J.
 Pear, Isaac S.
 Perry, George R.
 Pierce, Charles Q.
 Pinkerton, Alfred S.
 Plaisted, John W.
 Read, John
 Richards, James H.
 Robinson, J. Henry
 Rogers, Joseph W.
 Rogerson, Wm. B.
 Rounsevell, Arthur G.

Messrs. Rugg, Charles P.
 Russell, Alvin D.
 Sanford, Alpheus
 Sanger, Chester F.
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 Shepard, Charles F.
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 Southwick, Benjamin F.
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 Flynn, Thomas J.
 Gagan, Edward
 Garity, Michael
 Hagerty, David J.
 Hastings, William H.
 Hayes, Elihu B.
 Hayes, John E.
 Keane, Jeremiah J.

Messrs. Kendall, Horace M.	Messrs. O'Mealey, John W.
Kennedy, Patrick J.	O'Neil, John W.
Kimball, Henry A.	Provin, William
Lally, James, Jr.	Quinn, Dennis J.
Lyons, Henry S.	Quinn, Philip H.
McCooley, Thomas	Riddell, Henry
McDonald, Robert H.	Robinson, Ethan C.
McEttrick, Michael J.	Sullivan, Michael F.
Monahan, William H.	Sullivan, Thomas F.
Morin, John M.	Winthrop, John
O'Brien, Dennis J.	

Yeas, 121 ; nays, 47.

On this question, Messrs. Fales of Norwood, Adams of Lowell, Sohler of Beverly, Quincy of Quincy, Merrill of Quincy, Raymond of Somerville, Perkins of Winchendon, Wyman of Hyde Park, Hooper of Bridgewater, Carpenter of Brookline, Cheney of Worcester, Fisher of Grafton and Gracey of Salem, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired, respectively, with Messrs. McDonough of Boston, Cronin of Worcester, Towne of Lynn, Mellen of Worcester, Pratt of Abington, Raymond of Hinsdale, Knox of Chester, Gibson of Chicopee, Haggerty of Southbridge, Boardman of Marblehead, Carroll of Worcester, Winchester of Holyoke and Leary of Boston.

The Bill to incorporate the Boston Suburban Land Company was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Wilde of Malden, postponed for further consideration until Monday next, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

The Resolve providing assistance to soldiers and sailors in the settlement of their claims for pensions and bounties against the United States government, was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Barrett of Melrose, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

The Bill to fix the salaries of the Railroad Commissioners was considered. Its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Finance, was negatived, and the bill was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

At six minutes before five o'clock, adjourned.

THURSDAY, May 10, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petition Presented.

By Mr. Miller of Needham, petition of the selectmen of Wellesley for legislation to enable them to supply the town of Needham with water for domestic and fire purposes. Referred to the committee on Water Supply, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, with instructions to hear the parties after such notice has been given as the committee shall direct, and sent up for concurrence.

Needham water supply.

Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. Wharton of Boston, was adopted, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and sent up for concurrence: —

Ordered, That the joint committee on the Judiciary consider the expediency of repealing or amending section 30 of chapter 154 of the Public Statutes, in so far as said section provides that processes issuing from the courts mentioned therein shall bear test of one of the special justices in case of the death, absence or disability of the justice of said court.

Police and district courts.

Papers from the Senate.

Reports:

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing by law for the care and maintenance of young women of defective or feeble intellects in charge of the trustees of the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded;

Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded.

Of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing for greater safety by the removal of standing wood at grade crossings, where said crossings occur in wood lands;

Standing wood at grade crossings.

Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Thomas J. Mayall for authority to construct an elevated railroad in Boston (for general report, see Senate, No. 249);

Thomas J. Mayall, — elevated railroad in Boston.

Boston Elevated
Railway
Company.

Of the same committee, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Frank A. Bartholomew and others for incorporation as the Boston Elevated Railway Company (for general report, see Senate, No. 249) ; and

Elevated rail-
ways for Boston
and vicinity.

Of the South Boston Citizens' Association for a general law or charter to some responsible party to build and maintain a system of elevated railways for Boston and vicinity (for general report, see Senate, No. 249) ;

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon.

Gardner
Electric
Company.

A report of the committee on Harbors and Public Lands, leave to withdraw, at their own request, on the petition of Thacher B. Dunn and others that the Gardner Electric Company be authorized to improve certain portions of Crystal Lake in the town of Gardner by filling in and grading, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Story of Gloucester.

Daily bulletin
of committee
hearings.

A report of the committee on Printing, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to the Sergeant-at-Arms publishing a daily bulletin of the hearings assigned before the various committees of the Legislature, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Gunn of Boston.

Report of the
trustees of the
State Alms-
house at
Tewksbury.

A report of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no further legislation necessary, on the thirty-fourth annual report of the Trustees of the State Almshouse at Tewksbury, for the year ending Sept. 30, 1887, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Warden of Waltham.

Deposits of
judges of
probate.

A report of the committee on Probate and Insolvency, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of so much of the supplementary report of the Board of Commissioners of Savings Banks as relates to deposits of judges of probate, and recommending that the same be referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, in so much as relates to the reference.

S. B. Hinckley,
—Boston and
Suburban
Elevated Rail-
way Company.

A report of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition of S. B. Hinckley and others for an act of incorporation as the Boston and Suburban

Elevated Railway Company [Mr. Howe, of the Senate, and Mr. Gunn of Boston, of the House, dissenting], accepted by the Senate, was read, and, on motion of Mr. Gunn of Boston, the rule was suspended and the report was laid on the table.

Bills :

To incorporate the Trustees of the Presbytery of Boston (reported on a petition) ; and

Relating to fraternal beneficiary organizations (reported on the report of the Insurance Commissioner relating to fraternal, beneficiary and assessment insurance corporations) [Messrs. Church of Cambridge, and Clark of Natick, of the House, dissenting] ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

The House Bill relating to the settlement of estates of deceased persons, passed to be engrossed by the House, came down from the Senate, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment. On motions of Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, the rule was suspended, and the House concurred in the amendment with an amendment, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The House Bill to amend chapter 178 of the Public Statutes relating to partition of lands, passed to be engrossed by the House, came down from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Wharton of Boston, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Colby of Boston, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, on so much of the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons as relates to the punishment of females for a second offence of drunkenness, a Bill to provide for the punishment of female persons for a second offence of drunkenness.

By Mr. Clark of Huntington, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition (taken from the files of last year), a Bill to supply the town of Ashburnham with pure water.

Massachusetts
School for the
Feeble-Minded.

By Mr. Dexter of Lowell, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve in favor of the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded ought to pass, in a new draft, with the title "Resolve providing for the erection of buildings in the city of Waltham for the use of the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded."

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Officers of the
Superior Court
for the county
of Suffolk.

By Mr. Pratt of Abington, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the House should concur in the Senate amendment to the House "Bill to establish the number of officers in attendance upon the Superior Court for the county of Suffolk, and in relation to their duties." On motion of Mr. Wharton of Boston, the rule was suspended, and the House concurred in the amendment, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Reformatory
Prison for
Women.

By Mr. Hall of Taunton, from the committee on Prisons, on the annual report of the Prison Commissioners on the Reformatory Prison for Women, in part, a Resolve to provide for the better protection of the Reformatory Prison for Women against fire. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Taken from the Table.

Hyde Park
Street Railway
Company.

On motion of Mr. Wyman of Hyde Park, the report of the committee on Street Railways, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the Hyde Park Street Railway Company, for authority to issue coupon or registered bonds to an amount not exceeding \$100,000, and to secure the same by a mortgage on its road, franchise and property, was taken from the table, and was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Discharged from the Orders.

Water gas.

On motion of Mr. Morey of Lowell, the Bill authorizing the Gas Commissioners to license certain gas companies to make and sell water gas for illuminating purposes was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until next Tuesday morning, to be placed first in the orders of the day for that day.

On motion of the same gentleman, the Bill in relation to the Bay State Gas Company was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until next Tuesday morning, to be placed second in the orders of the day for that day.

Bay State Gas
Company.

Orders of the Day.

The Bill providing for the final distribution of sums of money deposited or invested by order of Probate Courts; and the

Orders of the
Day.

Resolves :

In favor of the town of Florida ; and

Providing for a salute in honor of the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the organization of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to incorporate the trustees of the Haverhill City Hospital was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Resolve providing assistance to soldiers and sailors in the settlement of their claims for pensions and bounties against the United States government was, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, postponed for further consideration until the afternoon, on motion of Mr. Read of Cambridge.

The Bill to fix the salaries of the Railroad Commissioners was read a second time, and considered. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the House,

At fifteen minutes before one o'clock, adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Resolution Presented.

By Mr. Grosvenor of Ludlow, a Resolution relative to the prorogation of the General Court. Read and referred to the committee on Expediting Legislative Business, and sent up for concurrence.

Prorogation.

Papers from the Senate.

Tenure of office
of the police
force of Holyoke.

A Bill to fix the tenure of office of the members of the police force of the city of Holyoke (substituted in the Senate for the report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Ellen C.
Johnson.

The Resolve (introduced on leave in the House) in favor of Ellen C. Johnson came down concurred in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, and was referred to the committee on Finance.

Trustees of the
Delta Upsilon
Society of
Williams
College.

A Bill (introduced on leave in the Senate) to amend an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Delta Upsilon Society of Williams College came down, and was referred, in concurrence, under a suspension of the 11th and 12th Joint Rules, to the committee on Mercantile Affairs.

Reports of Committees.

Massachusetts
Institute of
Technology.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve in favor of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology ought to pass in a new draft with the same title. Read and ordered to a second reading.

State Normal
School at
Worcester.

By Mr. Hartwell of Ayer, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve providing for certain improvements at the State Normal School at Worcester ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Supplements to
the Public
Statutes.

By Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill to provide for the preparation and publication of supplements to the Public Statutes ought to pass. Referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Trustees of the
Delta Upsilon
Society of Williams
College.

By Mr. Gile of Worcester, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, that the Bill (introduced on leave in the Senate) to amend an act to incorporate the trustees of the Delta Upsilon Society of Williams College ought to pass. On motion of Mr. Gile, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence, Rule 15 having also been suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motions of Mr. Raymond of Somerville, the report of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Thomas J. Mayall for authority to construct an elevated railroad in Boston, was discharged from the orders of the day under a suspension of the rule, and was laid on the table.

Thomas J. Mayall, — elevated railroad in Boston.

On motion of Mr. Church of Cambridge, the Bill relating to fraternal beneficiary organizations was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until next Wednesday morning, May 16.

Fraternal beneficiary organizations.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills ;

To confirm the proceedings of the last annual meeting of the town of Hudson ;

Bills enacted.

To authorize the county commissioners of the county of Essex to borrow money for the purpose of enlarging the court house at Salem ;

Relative to the discharge of persons appointed under the civil service law ;

In relation to the officers of the Massachusetts Reformatory ;

To limit the number of places licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors ;

In relation to the approval of bills contracted for the State Prison, the Massachusetts Reformatory, and the Reformatory Prison for Women ; and

To provide for the definition and preservation of town boundary lines ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To incorporate the Cary Library (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

Providing for a new building and for certain repairs at the Lyman School for Boys at Westborough ;

Resolves passed.

To provide for the purchase of horses and cows for the Massachusetts Reformatory, and for certain repairs at said institution ; and

Providing for the printing of fifteen hundred extra copies of the report of the State Board of Health relative to the manufacture and sale of oleomargarine and butterine ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
Day.

The Bill to fix the salaries of the Railroad Commissioners was further considered, the question being on ordering the bill to a third reading. After debate, the bill was rejected.

Reports :

Of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing by law for the care and maintenance of young women of defective or feeble intellects in charge of the trustees of the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded ;

Of the committee on Railroads, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing for greater safety by the removal of standing wood at grade crossings where said crossings occur in wood lands ; and

Of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw :

On the petition of the South Boston Citizens' Association for a general law or charter to some responsible party to build and maintain a system of elevated railways for Boston and vicinity ; and

On the petition of Frank A. Bartholomew and others for incorporation as the Boston Elevated Railway Company ;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To provide for the punishment of female persons for a second offence of drunkenness ; and

To incorporate the trustees of the Presbytery of Boston ; and the

Resolve providing for the erection of buildings in the city of Waltham for the use of the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

civil government in the Northwest Territory, ought to pass with an amendment.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Symonds of Salem, the Resolution relative to prorogation of the General Court was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was adopted and sent up for concurrence, as follows:—

Resolved, That on the twenty-sixth day of May, current, the Legislature, if not prorogued at a prior date, request His Excellency the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Council, to prorogue them to the Tuesday next preceding the first Wednesday of January next. Prorogation.

On motion of Mr. Ware of Boston, the Resolve in favor of Ellen C. Johnson was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second and a third time, under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Ware, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence, Rule 15 having also been suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman. Ellen C. Johnson.

Orders of the Day.

Reports:

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 91 of the Public Statutes so far as it relates to fishing in certain ponds; and Orders of the Day.

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, reference to the next General Court:

On an order relative to restricting, in certain cases, the use of particular corporate names; and

On an order relative to providing by a general law for a change of name by a corporation organized by special charter, or under the general laws of the Commonwealth;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills:

To authorize cities to indemnify police officers for injuries received or expenses incurred while acting as police officers;

FRIDAY, May 11, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. E. E. Strong of Newton.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Symonds of Salem,—

Hour of meeting.

Ordered, That on and after Tuesday next, May 15, morning sessions of the House shall begin at 10.15 o'clock.*Papers from the Senate.*

Reports :

Fishing in certain ponds.

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 9 of the Public Statutes so far as it relates to fishing in certain ponds [Mr. Dame of Methuen, of the House, dissenting] ;

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, reference to the next General Court :

Corporate names.

On an order relative to restricting, in certain cases, the use of particular corporate names ; and

Change of names of corporations by general law.

On an order relative to providing by a general law for a change of name by a corporation organized by a special charter, or under the general laws of the Commonwealth :

Severally accepted by the Senate, were severally read and placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon.

Bills :

Mortgage loan and investment companies.

In relation to mortgage loan and investment companies (reported, in part, on the annual report of the Commissioners of Savings Banks) ;

Police officers.

To authorize cities to indemnify police officers for injuries received or expenses incurred while acting as police officers (reported on a petition) ;

Discharge of small loans.

Relative to the discharge of small loans and the redemption of the security given for such loans (reported on an order) ;

Water supply for the Reformatory Prison for Women.

To preserve the purity of the waters of Washakum Pond in the towns of Framingham and Ashland (reported on so much of the report of the Commissioners of Prisons on the Reformatory Prison for Women as relates to a water supply for the Reformatory Prison for Women) ;

To provide for the further introduction and extension of a police signal system in the city of Boston (reported on an order) [Mr. Shea, of the Senate, and Mr. Leary of Boston, of the House, dissenting] ;

Police signal system in the city of Boston.

Relating to certain court officers in the county of Suffolk (substituted in the Senate for a report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate) ; and

Court officers in the county of Suffolk.

To protect the purity of inland waters, and to require consultation with the State Board of Health regarding the establishment of systems of water supply, drainage and sewerage (reported on an order reported by the joint special committee on Water Supply and Drainage) ;

System of water supply, drainage and sewerage.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Bills :

Relative to the support of paupers in State lunatic hospitals ; (reported on a petition) ; and

Support of State paupers in State lunatic hospitals. School superintendents for small towns.

To aid the small towns to provide themselves with school superintendents (reported on the report of the State Board of Education) [Mr. Haggerty, of the House, dissenting] ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Bills :

In relation to the confirmation of defective acts or proceedings of probate courts, or of persons acting under appointment from probate courts ;

Confirmation of defective acts or proceedings of probate courts.

In relation to agreements to make wills of real and personal estate (being a new draft of a House bill with the same title) ; and

Agreements to make wills of real and personal estate.

Relative to the proof of certain probate notices ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred to the committee on Probate and Insolvency.

Proof of certain probate notices.

The House Bill in relation to safe deposit, loan and trust companies, passed to be engrossed by the House, came down from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments. On motion of Mr. Wyman of Hyde Park, the rule was suspended, and the House non-concurred in the amendments, and asked for a committee of conference, and Messrs. Wyman of Hyde Park, Wharton of Boston and Smith of Athol, were appointed

Safe deposit, loan and trust companies.

the committee on the part of the House. Sent up for concurrence.

Desecration of graves.

The House Order relative to preventing the desecration of graves by the removal of flowers, flags, or any memorial token therefrom, came down from the Senate concurred in the suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Records and annual returns of savings banks.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of the House Bill concerning the records and annual returns of savings banks.

Reports of Committees.

Attorney-General and Assistant Attorney-General.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Bill to establish the salary of the Attorney-General, and to establish the office of Assistant Attorney-General and to provide for the salary of such officer, ought to pass with an amendment striking out section one.

Ellen C. Johnson.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Resolve (introduced on leave) in favor of Ellen C. Johnson ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon for a second reading.

Prorogation.

By Mr. Symonds of Salem, from the committee on Expediting Legislative Business, that the Resolution relative to the prorogation of the General Court ought to be adopted. Placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon, the question being on the adoption of the resolution.

Half-mill tax for the support of the public schools.

By Mr. Lyman of Belchertown, from the committee on Education, in part, on two orders relative to a State tax not exceeding one mill on the dollar for public school education, and a more equitable distribution of the unappropriated part of the State School Fund, and on a special report of the Board of Education relative to the Massachusetts School Fund (taken from the files of last year), a Bill to establish a half-mill fund for the support of public schools, and to provide for the distribution thereof. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Engrossed Bill.

New State House.

An engrossed Bill to provide for the better accommodation of the State government in the city of Boston was put upon its final passage. After debate, the bill was

ostponed for further consideration until Monday next, on motion of Mr. Wadlin of Reading, pending the question on enactment.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

In addition to an act to incorporate the American Board Bills enacted.
of Commissioners for Foreign Missions ; and

Relative to notice and service of notice of petitions for the enforcement of liens on buildings and lands ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Concerning judgment and execution in favor of adverse claimants in trustee process ; and

Prescribing the minimum fees for liquor licenses ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Resolves :

In favor of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology ; Orders of the Day.
and

Providing for certain improvements at the State Normal School at Worcester ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to provide for the punishment of female persons for a second offence of drunkenness was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to incorporate the trustees of the Presbytery of Boston was read a third time, amended, as recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, by the substitution of a bill with the same title, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, as amended, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

The Bill to authorize appeals from assessors of taxes to the Superior Court was read a third time. The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending as a substitute a bill with the same title, which was read, and, pending the question on substitution, and pending the main question on the engrossment of the bill, it was postponed for further consideration until Monday, on motion of Mr. Floyd of Winthrop.

The Bill to provide for a new division of wards in cities was laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Parkman of Boston, pending the question on ordering to a third reading.

The Resolve providing assistance to soldiers and sailors in the settlement of their claims for pensions and bounties against the United States government was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Mr. Barrett of Melrose moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to expedite the settlement of claims for pensions," pending which, and pending the question on ordering to a third reading, the House,

At fifteen minutes before one o'clock, adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Petition Presented.

Education of
children.

By Mr. Frost of Boston, petition of Oliver H. Green and 169 others in favor of the passage of the Bill to amend chapter 47 of the Public Statutes, concerning the attendance of the children in the schools, contained in House, No. 19. Referred to the committee on Education, and sent up for concurrence.

Reports of Committees.

Maynard water
supply.

By Mr. Backup of Boston, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition, a Bill to supply the town of Maynard with water.

Grade crossings
on railroads.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve for the appointment of a commission to consider the subject of the abolition of grade crossings ought to pass, in a new draft, with the title "Resolve providing for an investigation into the subject of the abolition of grade crossings on railroads."

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Supplements to
the Public
Statutes.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Bill to provide for the preparation and publication of supplements to the Public Statutes ought to pass.

Centennial cele-
bration of the
settlement of
Ohio.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Senate Resolve relative to the centennial celebration of the settlement of Ohio, and the establishment of

civil government in the Northwest Territory, ought to pass with an amendment.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Symonds of Salem, the Resolution relative to prorogation of the General Court was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was adopted and sent up for concurrence, as follows:—

Resolved, That on the twenty-sixth day of May, current, the Legislature, if not prorogued at a prior date, request His Excellency the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Council, to prorogue them to the Tuesday next preceding the first Wednesday of January next. Prorogation.

On motion of Mr. Ware of Boston, the Resolve in favor of Ellen C. Johnson was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second and a third time, under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Ware, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence, Rule 15 having also been suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman. Ellen C. Johnson.

Orders of the Day.

Reports:

Of the committee on Fisheries and Game, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 91 of the Public Statutes so far as it relates to fishing in certain ponds; and Orders of the Day.

Of the committee on Mercantile Affairs, reference to the next General Court:

On an order relative to restricting, in certain cases, the use of particular corporate names; and

On an order relative to providing by a general law for a change of name by a corporation organized by special charter, or under the general laws of the Commonwealth;

Were severally accepted, in concurrence.

Bills:

To authorize cities to indemnify police officers for injuries received or expenses incurred while acting as police officers;

Relative to the discharge of small loans and the redemption of the security given for such loans ;

To provide for the further introduction and extension of a police signal system in the city of Boston ;

Relating to certain court officers in the county of Suffolk ;

To protect the purity of inland waters, and to require consultation with the State Board of Health regarding the establishment of systems of water supply, drainage and sewerage ; and

To preserve the purity of the waters of Washakum Pond in the towns of Framingham and Ashland ;-

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Resolves :

In favor of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology ; and

Providing for the erection of buildings in the city of Waltham for the use of the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolve providing assistance to soldiers and sailors in the settlement of their claims for pensions and bounties against the United States government was further considered. The pending bill moved as an amendment by Mr. Barrett of Melrose was substituted, and was placed in the orders of the day for Monday, under Rule 61, the question being on ordering to a third reading.

The Bill to fix the tenure of office of the members of the police of the city of Holyoke was read a second time and considered, and, after debate, was indefinitely postponed, on motion of Mr. Keane of Holyoke, by a vote of 55 to 30, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill to establish the salary of the Attorney-General, and to establish the office of Assistant Attorney-General and to provide for the salary of such officer, was read a second time and considered. Mr. Frost of Boston moved an amendment to the pending amendment, recommended by the committee on Finance, which was rejected. The same gentleman moved a further amendment, providing that the act take effect on the first day of January, eigh-

teen hundred and eighty-nine. After debate, the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Sanger of Cambridge. The pending amendment to strike out section one, recommended by the committee on Finance, was adopted by a vote of 52 to 39. Mr. Wharton of Boston raised the point of order that a quorum was not present and voting on the amendment, and asked for a count of the House. A count showed that 94 members were present, and, there being no quorum, on motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, the House,

At eleven minutes past four o'clock, adjourned.

MONDAY, May 14, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reconsideration.

Tenure of office
of members of
the police force
of Holyoke.

Mr. Winchester of Holyoke moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, on Friday last, indefinitely postponed the Bill to fix the tenure of office of the members of the police force of the city of Holyoke. After debate the motion prevailed by a vote of 99 to 64. The recurring question on indefinite postponement was rejected. Mr. Story of Gloucester moved to amend the bill by striking out section three and inserting in place thereof the following:—

“*Section 3.* This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the city council of said city by concurrent vote, on or before the first day of March, eighteen hundred and eighty-nine.”

The amendment was adopted, and, after debate, the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

Elevated Railroads.

S. B. Hinckley
and others,—
elevated rail-
road in Boston.
Meigs Elevated
Railroad
Company.

Mr. Gunn of Boston, from the committee on Street Railways, presented the views of the minority of that committee on the petitions of S. B. Hinckley and others for leave to build an elevated railroad in Boston, and of the Meigs Elevated Railway Company for extension of and amendments to its charter, which, at his request, were ordered to be printed. (See House, No. 516.)

Papers from the Senate.

New State
House.

A Resolve authorizing the Governor and Council to devise and report a plan for the better accommodation for the State government in the city of Boston (reported on an order, and on so much of the Governor's Address as relates to the State House) [Mr. Clark of Essex, of the Senate, dissenting]; passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

A Bill to regulate the sale of apples, beans and peas, passed to be engrossed by the House, came down from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with amendments. Placed in the orders of the day for tomorrow, the question being on concurring with the Senate in the amendments.

Apples, beans and peas.

The House Bill relating to the settlement of estates of deceased persons came down, with the endorsement that the Senate non-concurred in the amendment adopted by the House to the Senate amendment. On motion of Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, the House insisted, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Settlement of estates of deceased persons.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of House bills :

To regulate the hours of labor of conductors and drivers upon street railways ; and

To provide for the issuing of transfer checks on street railways in the city of Boston.

Hours of labor of conductors and drivers on street railways. Transfer checks on street railways in the city of Boston. Onset Railway Company in the town of Wareham.

Notice was also received that the House Bill relating to the location of the tracks of the Onset Railway Company in the town of Wareham, and to the use of motive-power by said company, had been indefinitely postponed by that branch.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Finney of Plymouth, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition, a Bill to supply the town of Millbury with water. Read and ordered to a second reading.

Millbury water supply.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve in favor of Patience E. Smith ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for tomorrow for a second reading.

Patience E. Smith.

By Mr. Sohier of Beverly, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, that the Senate Bill in relation to agreements to make wills of real and personal estate ought to pass. On motion of Mr. Sohier, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Wills of real and personal estate.

By Mr. Griswold of Greenfield, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill relative to the proof of certain probate notices ought to pass. On motion of Mr. Gris-

Proof of certain probate notices.

would, the rule was suspended, and the bill was read a second time and was ordered to a third reading.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

In further addition to an Act making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year, and for certain other expenses authorized by law ;

To annex a portion of the town of Tewksbury to the city of Lowell ;

Relating to the division of the net profits of savings banks ;

Relating to ballots cast by women in elections for members of school committees ;

To amend an act to incorporate the trustees of the Delta Upsilon Society of Williams College ;

To establish the compensation of clerks pro tempore of municipal, police and district courts ;

To amend chapter one hundred and seventy-eight of the Public Statutes relating to partition of lands ;

In addition to an act to establish a Board of Gas Commissioners ; and

In relation to the employment of children ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To incorporate the trustees of the Haverhill City Hospital,

(Which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed.

An engrossed Resolve providing for certain repairs and improvements at the State House and at the Commonwealth Building (which originated in the House) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders.

**Ashburnham
Water Supply
Company.**

On motion of Mr. Perkins of Winchendon, the Bill to supply the town of Ashburnham with pure water was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, laid on the table.

Orders of the Day.

The Bill to establish the salary of the Attorney-General and to establish the office of Assistant Attorney-General and to provide for the salary of such officer was further considered. The pending amendment recommended by the committee on Finance and the pending amendment moved by Mr. Frost of Boston were rejected and the bill was refused a third reading by a vote of 53 to 90, and notice was sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Bills :

In relation to mortgage loan and investment companies ;

To supply the town of Maynard with water ; and

To provide for the preparation and publication of supplements to the Public Statutes ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Relating to certain court officers in the county of Suffolk ;

To protect the purity of inland waters, and to require consultation with the State Board of Health regarding the establishment of systems of water supply, drainage and sewerage ; and

To preserve the purity of the waters of Washakum Pond in the towns of Framingham and Ashland ; and the

Resolve providing for certain improvements at the State Normal School at Worcester ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to incorporate the Boston Suburban Land Company was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. An amendment moved by Mr. Barrett of Melrose to strike out in section 2, line 34, the word "acquire," was adopted.

After debate, the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Gunn of Boston, and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the House,

At five minutes past five o'clock, adjourned.

TUESDAY, May 15, 1888.

Met according to adjournment at 10.15 o'clock, A. M.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Reports of Committees.

Validity of
mortgages of
real estate as
against assign-
ees in
insolvency.

By Mr. Smith of Athol, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, on two orders, a Bill relative to the validity of mortgages of real estate as against assignees in insolvency. Read and ordered to a second reading.

Labor of
prisoners.

By Mr. Hall of Taunton, from the committee on Prisons, that the Bill in relation to the labor of prisoners ought to pass with the following amendments: At the end of section 2 add the words "upon the public account system, so called"; also, in section 7, line 28, after the word "industries" insert the words "within the provisions of the requirements of chapter 447 of the Acts of the year 1887." Referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
Day.

The Bill to expedite claims for pensions was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to supply the town of Millbury with water; and the

Resolve in favor of Patience E. Smith;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to provide for the preparation and publication of supplements to the Public Statutes was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to incorporate the Boston Suburban Land Company was rejected by a vote of 26 to 65.

The Bill authorizing the Gas Commissioners to license certain gas companies to make and sell water gas for illuminating purposes was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Mr. Read of Cambridge moved to amend by the substitution of a "Resolve to provide for the examination of water gas." On motion

of Mr. Symonds of Salem, it was voted that debate be closed at half-past three o'clock this afternoon, unless a vote should be sooner reached. After debate, pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the House,

At fifteen minutes before one o'clock, adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Petition Presented.

By Mr. Mellen of Worcester, petition of Richard O'Flynn, President of the Father Mathew Mutual Benevolent Total Abstinence Society of Worcester, for an amendment of the charter of said society. Referred, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, to the committee on Mercantile Affairs, and sent up for concurrence.

Father Mathew
Mutual Benevo-
lent Total
Abstinence
Society of
Worcester.

Papers from the Senate.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Banks and Banking be granted until May 22 to report upon the several petitions now before it for the incorporation of loan and trust companies.

Committee on
Banks and
Banking.

A Resolve relating to the acceptance by the Commonwealth of a statue of Josiah Bartlett at Amesbury (reported on the special message of the Governor), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Amesbury, —
statue of Josiah
Bartlett.

The House Bill relating to the settlement of estates of deceased persons came down with the endorsement that the Senate insisted and asked for a committee of conference on the disagreeing vote of the two branches; Messrs Crosby, Clark of Berkshire and Hampshire and Sprague being appointed said committee on the part of the Senate. The House concurred in the appointment of a committee.

Settlement of
estates of de-
ceased persons.

The House Resolve in relation to public records of parishes, towns and counties, passed to be engrossed by the House, came down from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment to the title, by inserting after the word "resolve" the words "in addition to a resolve," in which amendment the House

Public records
of parishes,
towns and
counties.

concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Brown of Boston, and the resolve was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Massachusetts
Volunteer
Militia.

The House Bill to provide armories for the Massachusetts Volunteer Militia, passed to be engrossed by the House, came down from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment, striking out section ten, in which amendment the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Southwick of Peabody, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Westfield
Academy.

A Bill in relation to the trustees of Westfield Academy (introduced on leave in the Senate) was read, and, under a suspension of the 11th and 12th Joint Rules, was referred, in concurrence, to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Reports of Committees.

State Normal
School at
Framingham.

By Mr. Hooper of Bridgewater, from the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the protection of the State Normal School, and other State buildings located in Framingham, in case of fire. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

City of Law-
rence.

By Mr. Hinchcliffe of Lawrence, from the committee on Cities, on a petition, a Bill to revise the charter of the city of Lawrence. [Mr. Shea, of the Senate, dissenting.]

Underground
conduits.

By Mr. Atwood of Boston, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on two orders, a Bill relating to underground conduits. [Messrs. Clark of Berkshire and Hampshire, Cook and Stevens, of the Senate, and Mr. Gile of Worcester, of the House, dissenting.]

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Persons who
served in the
army or navy
during the
rebellion.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill for the relief of persons who served in the army or navy of the United States during the rebellion, and their dependent families, ought to pass.

Support of
paupers in State
lunatic hos-
pitals.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill relative to the support of paupers in State lunatic hospitals ought to pass.

Additional
officer on the
district police
force.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill to provide for an additional officer on the district police force ought to pass.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, from the same committee, Reformatory Prison for Women. that the Resolve to provide for the better protection of the Reformatory Prison for Women against fire ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

By Mr. Spring of Holliston, from the committee on William C. Nye. Military Affairs, on a petition, a Resolve in favor of William C. Nye. Read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To amend section 4 of chapter 11 of the Public Statutes Bills enacted. relating to the taxation of personal estate ;

To establish a Board of Sewer Commissioners for the city of Northampton ; and

To fix the tenure of office of the members of the police force of the city of Worcester ;

Concerning the assessment of taxes in certain cases ;

To incorporate the New Bedford Board of Trade ; and

To authorize the town of Plymouth to establish a system of sewerage ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To incorporate the city of Quincy ; and

In relation to the evidence given at inquests ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Taken from the Table.

On motions of Mr. Gunn of Boston, the report of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition of S. B. Hinckley and others for an act of incorporation as the Boston and Suburban Elevated Railway Company was taken from the table, and was postponed for further consideration until next Thursday morning, to be placed first in the orders of the day. Boston and Suburban Elevated Railway Company.

On motions of Mr. Dresser of Medford, the report of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Thomas J. Mayall for authority to construct an elevated railroad in Boston, was taken from the table, and was postponed for further consideration until Thomas J. Mayall, — elevated railroad in Boston.

next Thursday morning, to be placed second in the orders of the day.

On motions of Mr. Perkins of Winchendon, the Bill to supply the town of Ashburnham with pure water was taken from the table. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

Discharged from the Orders.

New State
House.

On motion of Mr. Fottler of Boston, the engrossed Bill to provide for the better accommodation of the State government in the city of Boston was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. Pending the question on its enactment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, to be placed first in the orders of the day.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
Day.

The Bill authorizing the Gas Commissioners to license certain gas companies to make and sell water gas for illuminating purposes was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. An amendment moved by Mr. Sanger of Cambridge was adopted. On the question of substituting the resolve moved by Mr. Read of Cambridge, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Symonds of Salem, and, the roll being called, the resolve was substituted by a vote of 106 yeas to 98 nays, as follows :—

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen, John J.

Allen, Montressor T.
Atwood, Harrison H.
Babbitt, Rollin H.
Backup, John
Barrett, William E.
Bennett, Charles H.
Blume, Andreas
Boardman, Francis
Brackett, Albert A.
Brewer, Edward W.
Brooks, A. Olin

Messrs. Brown, John F.

Carey, William H.
Carpenter, George N.
Champlin, Arthur B.
Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.
Clark, David H.
Collison, Harvey N.
Conroy, James
Coveney, John W.
Cutler, Samuel
Dame, Luther
Dexter, Solomon K.

Messrs. Doherty, John
 Dolan, Bernard
 Dunlea, James J.
 Fales, Frank A.
 Farren, Thomas G.
 Ferry, William F.
 Finney, Elkanah
 Fisk, Edward P.
 Fottler, Jacob
 Friend, Henry
 Garity, Michael
 Gleason, Joseph H.
 Gleason, Willard F.
 Gracey, Samuel L.
 Gunn, Daniel,
 Hagerty, David J.
 Haggerty, Charles
 Hall, Frederick S.
 Hartwell, Benjamin H.
 Haskell, Henry C.
 Hatch, Franklin W.
 Hathaway, James A.
 Hayes, John E.
 Holman, Frank E.
 Keane, Jeremiah J.
 Kearns, George H.
 Kendall, Horace M.
 Kimball, Henry A.
 Kimball, John W.
 Lally, James, Jr.
 Leach, William T.
 Lovell, Clarence P.
 Lyman, Payson W.
 Lyons, Henry S.
 Manning, David, Jr.
 McCarthy, Patrick
 McCooley, Thomas
 McDonald, Robert H.
 McDonough, John H.
 McEttrick, Michael J.
 Miller, Lyman M.

Messrs. Monahan, William H.
 Morey, George F.
 Noonan, Thomas L.
 Norwood, Caleb J.
 O'Neil, John W.
 O'Neill, Thomas F.
 Parkman, Henry
 Pear, Isaac S.
 Peirson, Henry M.
 Perkins, Nathaniel R.
 Pierce, Charles Q.
 Preble, William H.
 Provin, William
 Qua, Francis W.
 Quinn, Andrew
 Quinn, Philip H.
 Read, John
 Richards, James H.
 Robinson, Ethan C.
 Robinson, J. Henry
 Russell, Irving L.
 Sanford, Alpheus
 Sanger, Chester F.
 Shepard, Charles F.
 Slocum, Winfield S.
 Sohler, William D.
 Southwick, Benjamin F.
 Stowe, Elijah B.
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 Temple, Albert H.
 Thompson, Albert G.
 Ware, M. Everett
 Waters, Franklin L.
 White, William L., Jr.
 Wilde, William A.
 Wiley, Albert L.
 Wilkinson, John W.
 Willis, Rufus H.
 Winchester, Reuben
 Wright, Arthur
 Wyman, Ferdinand A.

NAYS.

Messrs. Atherton, Horace H.
 Bartlett, Joseph F.
 Bixby, Charles C.
 Blake, Edwin H.
 Bottum, John B.

Messrs. Brigham, Arthur A.
 Burnham, William Howe
 Cannell, Joseph H.
 Carman, William A.
 Carney, Michael

Messrs. Carroll, Peter T.	Messrs. Morton, Harrison E.
Clark, Henry	Nelson, Sidney T.
Close, George	O'Brien, Dennis J.
Colby, John F.	O'Mealey, John W.
Conant, Charles W.	Perry, George R.
Conwell, David	Pinkerton, Alfred S.
Coolidge, George H.	Plaisted, John W.
Cronin, James M.	Poore, William H.
Crowell, Joshua	Pratt, Harvey H.
Davis, Edmund A.	Quincy, Josiah
Delano, John W.	Quinn, Dennis J.
Dennis, George	Raymond, Francis H.
Desmond, Jeremiah	Raymond, Samuel M.
Dewey, Wilson	Riddell, Henry
Donovan, James	Rogers, Joseph W.
Driscoll, John	Rogers, Samuel N.
Eames, Harry M.	Rogerson, William B.
Eldridge, Albert R.	Rounsevell, Arthur G.
Fisher, Albert L.	Rugg, Charles P.
Floyd, David, 2d	Russell, Alvin D.
Flynn, Edward J.	Simonds, S. Dwight
Frost, Henry	Slocum, George W.
Gagan, Edward	Smith, Sidney P.
Gibson, George W.	Spring, Charles E.
Gile, William A.	Stimpson, Daniel P.
Gordon, William, Jr.	Story, Cyrus
Gray, Davis P.	Sullivan, Thomas F.
Greenwood, Morrill A.	Symonds, Charles H.
Griswold, Freeman C.	Thayer, Rufus A.
Grosvenor, Charles F.	Thompson, A. Cranston
Hayes, Elihu B.	Tompkins, Isaac B.
Hill, Luther	Towne, Joseph L.
Hitchcock, Calvin	Trull, George W.
Holbrook, John A.	Turner, Henry A.
Hooper, George M.	Tyler, Ansel P.
Jaques, Alden P.	Upham, Samuel O.
Kennedy, Patrick J.	Wadlin, Horace G.
Leary, Edward J.	Wales, Abijah T.
Manning, Albert S.	Wardwell, J. Otis
Martin, James P.	Wharton, William F.
McEnaney, Thomas O.	Whitcher, James E.
Mellen, James H.	Witt, Charles T.
Miller, Albert E.	Woods, Frank F.
Milliken, Daniel L.	Woodward, Charles F.

Yeas, 106 ; nays, 98.

On this question, Messrs. Breed of Lynn, Adams of Lowell, Berry of Salem, Winthrop of Stockbridge, Warden of Waltham, Haynes of Sturbridge, Seavey of Med-

way, Walworth of Newton and Taft of New Marlborough, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired, respectively, with Messrs. Lothrop of Cohasset, Risteen of Amesbury, Merrill of Quincy, Dame of Methuen, Calnan of Boston, Clark of Huntington, Vanderhoop of Gay Head, Hunt of Rockland and Hinchcliffe of Lawrence.

The Resolve was placed in the orders of the day for tomorrow, the question being on ordering to a third reading.

The Bill in relation to the Bay State Gas Company was refused a third reading.

The Bill to authorize appeals from assessors of taxes to the Superior Court was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. Messrs. Sohier of Beverly and Hall of Taunton moved certain amendments to the substitute bill, recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, pending which, and pending the question on substitution, and pending the main question on the engrossment of the bill, it was, on motion of Mr. Hall of Taunton, postponed for further consideration until tomorrow.

The Resolve providing for an investigation into the subject of the abolition of grade crossings on railroads was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Wyman of Hyde Park, laid on the table.

Bills :

To authorize cities to indemnify police officers for injuries received or expenses incurred while acting as police officers ;

Relative to the proof of certain probate notices ; and

To fix the tenure of office of the members of the police force of the city of Holyoke ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, the last-named bill being sent up for concurrence in the amendment previously adopted by the House.

The Resolve relative to the centennial celebration of the settlement of Ohio and the establishment of civil government in the Northwest Territory, was read a second time and considered. An amendment, moved by Mr. Hall of Taunton, was adopted. The pending amendment, recom-

mended by the committee on Finance, was amended, *on* motion of Mr. Barrett of Melrose, and, as amended, was adopted, and the resolve, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to provide for the further introduction and extension of a police signal system in the city of Boston was read a third time, and, pending the question *on its* engrossment, it was postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, on motion of Mr. Leary of Boston.

The House non-concurred in the Senate amendments to the House Bill to regulate the sale of apples, beans *and* peas, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The Bill to supply the town of Maynard with water was read a third time, and, pending the question *on its* engrossment, the House,

At eight minutes before five o'clock, adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, May 16, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Paper from the Senate.

A Bill to amend an act entitled "An Act to authorize the incorporation of the Meigs Elevated Railway Company" (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading. Meigs Elevated Railway Company.

Report of a Committee.

By Mr. Smith of Athol, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to such legislation as will tend to make more stringent the laws in relation to the placing of guards around elevator wells. Elevator wells.
Read and placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

To amend chapter three hundred and seventy-four of the Acts of the year 1885 relating to the inspection and construction of buildings in the city of Boston ; Bills enacted.

In relation to agreements to make wills of real and personal estate ;

To establish the number of officers in attendance upon the Superior Court for the county of Suffolk, and in relation to their duties ;

To establish a naval battalion to be attached to the volunteer militia ; and

To increase the capital stock of the Worcester Steel Works ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To incorporate the trustees of the Presbytery of Boston ;

To preserve the purity of the waters of Washakum Pond, in the towns of Framingham and Ashland ; and

Relating to certain court officers in the county of Suffolk ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

*Resolves Passed.*Resolves
passed.

Engrossed resolves :

Authorizing the sale of land by the trustees of the State Almshouse at Tewksbury ; and

In favor of the New England Industrial School for Deaf-Mutes ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

Providing for certain improvements at the State Normal School at Worcester ; and

Providing for a salute in honor of the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the organization of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Reconsideration.

Water gas.

Mr. Symonds of Salem moved to reconsider the vote whereby the Resolve to provide for an examination of water gas was yesterday afternoon substituted for the Bill authorizing the Gas Commissioners to license certain gas companies to make and sell water gas for illuminating purposes. After debate, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Coveney of Cambridge, and, the roll being called, the motion to reconsider was carried by a vote of 93 yeas to 81 nays, as follows :—

YEAS.

Messrs. Atherton, Horace H.
Bartlett, Joseph F.
Bixby, Charles C.
Blake, Edwin H.
Bottum, John B.
Brigham, Arthur A.
Calnan, Patrick J.
Cannell, Joseph H.
Carman, William A.
Carney, Michael
Carroll, Peter T.
Champlin, Arthur B.
Church, Moses D.
Clark, Schuyler
Close, George
Colby, John F.
Conant, Charles W.

Messrs. Conroy, James
Conwell, David
Coolidge, George H.
Cronin, James M.
Crowell, Joshua
Dame, Albert L.
Desmond, Jeremiah
Dewey, Wilson
Donovan, James
Dresser, Theodore P.
Eames, Harry M.
Eldridge, Albert R.
Floyd, David, 2d
Flynn, Edward J.
Flynn, Thomas J.
Gagan, Edward
Garity, Michael

Messrs. Gibson, George W.
 Gile, William A.
 Gracey, Samuel L.
 Gray, Davis P.
 Greenwood, Morrill A.
 Griswold, Freeman C.
 Hagerly, David J.
 Hayes, Elihu B.
 Hill, Luther
 Hinchcliffe, William J.
 Hitchcock, Calvin
 Holbrook, John A.
 Hooper, George M.
 Jaques, Alden P.
 Kennedy, Patrick J.
 Leary, Edward J.
 Lyman, Payson W.
 Manning, Albert S.
 Martin, James P.
 McEnaney, Thomas O.
 Mellen, James H.
 Miller, Albert E.
 Milliken, Daniel L.
 Monahan, William H.
 Morton, Harrison E.
 Nelson, Sidney T.
 Noonan, Thomas L.
 O'Mealey, John W.
 O'Neill, Thomas F.
 Quincy, Josiah

Messrs. Quinn, Andrew
 Quinn, Dennis J.
 Quinn, Philip H.
 Risteen, John C.
 Rogers, Joseph W.
 Rogers, Samuel N.
 Simonds, S. Dwight
 Slocum, George W.
 Smith, Sidney P.
 Spring, Charles E.
 Stimpson, Daniel P.
 Story, Cyrus
 Sullivan, Thomas F.
 Symonds, Charles H.
 Thompson, A. Cranston
 Tompkins, Isaac B.
 Towne, Joseph L.
 Turner, Henry A.
 Upham, Samuel O.
 Vanderhoop, Edwin D.
 Wales, Abijah T.
 Wardwell, J. Otis
 Wharton, William F.
 Whitchee, James E.
 Willis, Rufus H.
 Winchester, Reuben
 Winthrop, John
 Woods, Frank F.
 Woodward, Charles F.

NAYS.

Messrs. Adams, Charles E.
 Allen, Montessor T.
 Backup, John
 Barrett, William E.
 Bennett, Charles H.
 Boardman, Francis
 Brackett, Albert A.
 Brewer, Edward W.
 Brooks, A. Olin
 Brown, John F.
 Carpenter, George N.
 Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.
 Coveney, John W.
 Cutler, Samuel
 Delano, John W.
 Doherty, John
 Dolan, Bernard

Messrs. Fales, Frank A.
 Farren, Thomas G.
 Ferry, William F.
 Finney, Elkanah
 Fisk, Edward P.
 Fottler, Jacob
 Friend, Henry
 Gleason, Joseph H.
 Gleason, Willard F.
 Grosvenor, Charles F.
 Haggerty, Charles
 Hall, Frederick S.
 Haskell, Henry C.
 Hatch, Franklin W.
 Hathaway, James A.
 Haynes, Henry D.
 Hixon, William S.

Messrs. Holman, Frank E.	Messrs. Qua, Francis W.
Keane, Jeremiah J.	Read, John
Kearn, George H.	Robinson, Ethan C.
Kendall, Horace M.	Robinson, J. Henry
Kimball, Henry A.	Russell, Alvin D.
Kimball, John W.	Russell Irving L.
Lally, James, Jr.	Sanford, Alpheus
Lovell, Clarence P.	Sanger, Chester F.
Manning, David, Jr.	Seavey, Charles W.
McCall, Samuel W.	Shepard, Charles F.
McCarthy, Patrick	Slocum, Winfield S.
McDonough, John H.	Sohier, William D.
Miller, Lyman M.	Southwick, Benjamin F.
Milne, John C.	Stowe, Elijah B.
Morey, George F.	Taft, Robert L.
Norwood, Caleb J.	Temple, Albert H.
O'Brien, Dennis J.	Ware, M. Everett
O'Neil, John W.	Waters, Franklin L.
Parkman, Henry	White, William L., Jr.
Pear, Isaac S.	Wilde, William A.
Peirson, Henry M.	Wiley, Albert L.
Perkins, Nathaniel R.	Wilkinson, John W.
Pierce, Charles Q.	Wyman, Ferdinand A.
Provin, William	

Yeas, 93 ; nays, 81.

On this question, Messrs. Lothrop of Cohasset, Fisher of Grafton, Thayer of Randolph, Raymond of Hinsdale, Tyler of Middleton, Plaisted of Worcester, Wadlin of Reading, Hastings of Framingham, Riddell of Nantucket, Perry of Norton, Davis of Somerset, Driscoll of Lynn, Brady of Lowell, Henry of Fall River and Merrill of Quincy, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired, respectively, with Messrs. Breed of Lynn, Allen of Auburn, Carey of Dalton, Richards of Lynn, Walworth of Newton, Dexter of Lowell, Lyons of North Adams, Sullivan of Lawrence, Clark of Natick, Warden of Waltham, Babbitt of Berkley, McEttrick of Boston, McCooey of Blackstone, Collison of Boston and Berry of Salem.

On the recurring question on the substitution of the resolve, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Symonds of Salem, and, the roll being called, the House refused to substitute the resolve by a vote of 80 yeas to 93 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, Charles E.
 Allen, John J.
 Allen, Montessor T.
 Backup, John
 Barrett, William E.
 Bennett, Charles H.
 Berry, Francis T.
 Blume, Andreas
 Brackett, Albert A.
 Brewer, Edward W.
 Brooks, A. Olin
 Carpenter, George N.
 Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.
 Collison, Harvey N.
 Coveney, John W.
 Cutler, Samuel
 Doherty, John
 Dolan, Bernard
 Fales, Frank A.
 Farren, Thomas G.
 Ferry, William F.
 Finney, Elkanah
 Fisk, Edward P.
 Fottler, Jacob
 Friend, Henry
 Gleason, Joseph H.
 Gleason, Willard F.
 Gracey, Samuel L.
 Gunn, Daniel
 Haggerty, Charles
 Hall, Frederick S.
 Hartwell, Benjamin H.
 Haskell, Henry C.
 Hatch, Franklin W.
 Haynes, Henry D.
 Hixon, William S.
 Keane, Jeremiah J.
 Kearn, George H.
 Kendall, Horace M.
 Kimball, Henry A.

Messrs. Kimball, John W.
 Lally, James, Jr.
 Leach, William T.
 Lovell, Clarence P.
 Lyman, Payson W.
 McCarthy, Patrick
 McDonough, John H.
 McEttrick, Michael J.
 Miller, Lyman M.
 Milne, John C.
 Morey, George F.
 Norwood, Caleb J.
 O'Neil, John W.
 Parkman, Henry
 Pear, Isaac S.
 Peirson, Henry M.
 Perkins, Nathaniel R.
 Provin, William
 Qua, Francis W.
 Read, John
 Robinson, Ethan C.
 Robinson, J. Henry
 Sanford, Alpheus
 Sanger, Chester F.
 Seavey, Charles W.
 Shepard, Charles F.
 Sohler, William D.
 Southwick, Benjamin F.
 Stowe, Elijah B.
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 Taft, Robert L.
 Temple, Albert H.
 Ware, M. Everett
 Waters, Franklin L.
 White, William L., Jr.
 Wilde, William A.
 Wiley, Albert L.
 Wilkinson, John W.
 Winchester, Reuben
 Wyman, Ferdinand A.

NAYS.

Messrs. Atherton, Horace H.
 Bartlett, Joseph F.
 Bixby, Charles C.
 Bottum, John B.

Messrs. Brigham, Arthur A.
 Calnan, Patrick J.
 Cannell, Joseph H.
 Carman, William A.

Messrs. Carney, Michael	Messrs. Mellen, James H.
Carroll, Peter T.	Merrill, John F.
Champlin, Arthur B.	Milliken, Daniel L.
Church, Moses D.	Monahan, William H.
Clark, Schuyler	Morton, Harrison E.
Close, George	Nelson, Sidney T.
Colby, John F.	Noonan, Thomas L.
Conant, Charles W.	O'Brien, Dennis J.
Conroy, James	O'Mealey, John W.
Conwell, David	O'Neill, Thomas F.
Coolidge, George H.	Plaisted, John W.
Cronin, James M.	Poore, William H.
Crowell, Joshua	Quinn, Andrew
Dame, Albert L.	Quinn, Dennis J.
Delano, John W.	Quinn, Philip H.
Desmond, Jeremiah	Raymond, Samuel M.
Dewey, Wilson	Risteen, John C.
Donovan, James	Rogers, Joseph W.
Dresser, Theodore P.	Rogers, Samuel N.
Eldridge, Albert R.	Russell, Alvin D.
Fisher, Albert L.	Simonds, S. Dwight
Flynn, Edward J.	Slocum, George W.
Flynn, Thomas J.	Smith, Sidney P.
Gagan, Edward	Spring, Charles E.
Garity, Michael	Stimpson, Daniel P.
Gile, William A.	Story, Cyrus
Gordon, William, Jr.	Sullivan, Thomas F.
Gray, Davis P.	Symonds, Charles H.
Greenwood, Morrill A.	Thayer, Rufus A.
Griswold, Freeman C.	Thompson, A. Cranston
Grosvenor, Charles F.	Tompkins, Isaac B.
Hagerty, David J.	Towne, Joseph L.
Hayes, Elihu B.	Turner, Henry A.
Hill, Luther	Vanderhoop, Edwin D.
Hinchcliffe, William J.	Wales, Abijah T.
Hitchcock, Calvin	Wardwell, J. Otis
Holbrook, John A.	Wharton, William F.
Hunt, George H.	Willis, Rufus H.
Jaques, Alden P.	Winthrop, John
Kennedy, Patrick J.	Witt, Charles T.
Leary, Edward J.	Woods, Frank F.
Martin, James P.	Woodward, Charles F.
McEnaney, Thomas O.	

Yeas, 80 ; nays, 93.

On this question, Messrs. Breed of Lynn, McCall of Winchester, Richards of Lynn, Slocum of Newton, Brown of Boston, Walworth of Newton, Atwood of Boston, Lyons

of North Adams, Holman of Clinton, Carey of Dalton, Dexter of Lowell, Thompson of Lowell, Boardman of Marblehead, Clark of Natick, Hayes of Boston, Warden of Waltham, Manning of Worcester, Russell of Somerville, Pierce of Watertown and Babbitt of Berkley, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired, respectively, with Messrs. Lothrop of Cohasset, Whitcher of Stoneham, Pratt of Abington, Henry of Fall River, Floyd of Winthrop, Tyler of Middleton, Pinkerton of Worcester, Wadlin of Reading, Quincy of Quincy, Blake of Bedford, Upham of Waltham, Hooper of Bridgewater, Shaw of Newburyport, Riddell of Nantucket, Driscoll of Lynn, Perry of Norton, Gibson of Chicopee, Manning of Andover, Eames of Lawrence and Davis of Somerset.

The bill as previously amended was ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Symonds of Salem moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday afternoon, rejected the Bill in relation to the Bay State Gas Company. After debate, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, and, the roll being called, the motion to reconsider prevailed by a vote of 98 yeas to 73 nays, as follows:—

Bay State Gas
Company.

YEAS.

Messrs. Atherton, Horace H.

Bartlett, Joseph F.
Bixby, Charles C.
Blake, Edwin H.
Bottum, John B.
Brigham, Arthur A.
Calnan, Patrick J.
Cannell, Joseph H.
Carman, William A.
Carney, Michael
Carroll, Peter T.
Champlin, Arthur B.
Church, Moses D.
Clark, Schuyler
Conant, Charles W.
Conroy, James
Conwell, David
Coolidge, George H.
Cronin, James M.

Messrs. Crowell, Joshua

Dame, Albert L.
Davis, Edmund A.
Delano, John W.
Desmond, Jeremiah
Dewey, Wilson
Donovan, James
Dresser, Theodore P.
Eames, Harry M.
Eldridge, Albert R.
Fisher, Albert L.
Flynn, Edward J.
Flynn, Thomas J.
Gagan, Edward
Garity, Michael
Gile, William A.
Gleason, Joseph H.
Gordon, William, Jr.
Gracey, Samuel L.

Messrs. Greenwood, Morrill A.	Messrs. Quinn, Dennis J.
Griswold, Freeman C.	Quinn, Philip H.
Hagerty, David J.	Raymond, Samuel M.
Haggerty, Charles	Risteen, John C.
Hartwell, Benjamin H.	Robinson, Ethan C.
Hayes, Elihu B.	Rogers, Joseph W.
Hill, Luther	Rogers, Samuel N.
Hitchcock, Calvin	Rugg, Charles P.
Holbrook, John A.	Simonds, S. Dwight
Hooper, George M.	Slocum, George W.
Jaques, Alden P.	Smith, Sidney P.
Kennedy, Patrick J.	Spring, Charles E.
Leary, Edward J.	Stimpson, Daniel P.
Lothrop, J. Q. A.	Story, Cyrus
Manning, Albert S.	Sullivan, Thomas F.
Martin, James P.	Symonds, Charles H.
McEnaney, Thomas O.	Thayer, Rufus A.
Mellen, James H.	Thompson, A. Cranston
Merrill, John F.	Tompkins, Isaac B.
Milliken, Daniel L.	Towne, Joseph L.
Milne, John C.	Turner, Henry A.
Monahan, William H.	Upham, Samuel O.
Nelson, Sidney T.	Vanderhoop, Edwin D.
Noonan, Thomas L.	Wardwell, J. Otis
O'Brien, Dennis J.	Wharton, William F.
O'Mealey, John W.	Whitcher, James E.
O'Neill, Thomas F.	Wilde, William A.
Plaisted, John W.	Willis, Rufus H.
Poore, William H.	Woods, Frank F.
Quinn, Andrew	Woodward, Charles F.

NAYS.

Messrs. Adams, Charles E.	Messrs. Fales, Frank A.
Allen, John J.	Farren, Thomas G.
Backup, John	Finney, Elkanah
Barrett, William E.	Fisk, Edward P.
Bennett, Charles H.	Fottler, Jacob
Blume, Andreas	Friend, Henry
Brackett, Albert A.	Grosvenor, Charles F.
Brewer, Edward W.	Gunn, Daniel
Brooks, A. Olin	Hall, Frederick S.
Carpenter, George N.	Haskell, Henry C.
Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.	Hayes, John E.
Clark, David H.	Haynes, Henry D.
Coveney, John W.	Hixon, William S.
Cutler, Samuel	Holman, Frank E.
Doherty, John	Hunt, George H.
Dolan, Bernard,	Keane, Jeremiah J.

Messrs. Kearns, George H.	Messrs. Qua, Francis W.
Kendall, Horace M.	Read, John
Kimball, Henry A.	Robinson, J. Henry
Kimball, John W.	Russell, Alvin D.
Lally, James, Jr.	Sanford, Alpheus
Leach, William T.	Sanger, Chester F.
Lovell, Clarence P.	Shepard, Charles F.
Lyman, Payson W.	Southwick, Benjamin F.
Lyons, Henry S.	Sullivan, Michael F.
McCarthy, Patrick	Taft, Robert L.
McDonough, John H.	Temple, Albert H.
McEttrick, Michael J.	Warden, Erskine
Miller, Lyman M.	Ware, M. Everett
Morey, George F.	Waters, Franklin L.
Norwood, Caleb J.	White, William L., Jr.
O'Neil, John W.	Wiley, Albert L.
Parkman, Henry	Wilkinson, John W.
Pear, Isaac S.	Winchester, Reuben
Peirson, Henry M.	Witt, Charles T.
Perkins, Nathaniel R.	Wyman, Ferdinand A.
Provin, William	

Yeas, 98; nays, 73.

On this question, Messrs. Pinkerton of Worcester, Wales of Attleborough, Tyler of Middleton, Raymond of Somerville, Morton of West Boylston, Winthrop of Stockbridge, Shaw of Newburyport, Gibson of Chicopee and Floyd of Winthrop, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired, respectively, with Messrs. Atwood of Boston, Slocum of Newton, Walworth of Newton, Sohier of Beverly, Hatch of Marshfield, Ferry of Springfield, Boardman of Marblehead, Manning of Worcester and Brown of Boston.

Pending the recurring question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the House,

At ten minutes before one o'clock, adjourned, the House having previously voted, on motions of Mr. Flynn of Boston, to suspend the rule relative to adjournment, also that when the House adjourns it be to meet at 2.15 o'clock P.M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. Whitcher of Stoneham, was laid over at the request of Mr. Dresser of Medford : —

Admission to
the floor of the
House of Repre-
sentatives.

Ordered, That no person, except members and officers of the Legislature, be admitted to the floor of the House during the remainder of the session.

Paper from the Senate.

Highways in
the city of
Boston.

A Bill relating to the laying out, alteration, discontinuance and repairs of highways in the city of Boston, passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Reports of Committees.

Inspection of
buildings.

By Mr. Colby of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 104 of the Public Statutes relating to the inspection of buildings. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Labor of
prisoners.

By Mr. Wales of Attleborough, from the committee on Finance, that the Bill in relation to the labor of prisoners ought to pass.

William C. Nye.

By Mr. Bennett of Springfield, from the same committee, that the Resolve in favor of William C. Nye ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Orders of the Day.

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Day.

The Bill in relation to the Bay State Gas Company was ordered to a third reading.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to such legislation as will tend to make more stringent the laws in relation to the placing of guards around elevator wells, was accepted.

The report of the committee on Education, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the protection of the State Normal School and other State buildings located in Framingham, in case of fire, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

Relative to the validity of mortgages of real estate as against assignees in insolvency; and

To provide for an additional officer on the district police force; and the

Resolve to provide for the better protection of the Reformatory Prison for Women against fire;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to supply the town of Millbury with water; and the

Resolve in favor of Patience E. Smith;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to supply the town of Maynard with water was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolve relative to the centennial celebration of the settlement of Ohio and the establishment of civil government in the Northwest Territory was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendments previously adopted by the House.

The engrossed Bill to provide for the better accommodation of the State government in the city of Boston was further considered, the question being on its enactment. After debate, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Whitcher of Stoneham, and, the roll being called, the bill was passed to be enacted by a vote of 122 yeas to 70 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen, John J.

Allen, Montessor T.

Backup, John

Bartlett, Joseph F.

Bennett, Charles H.

Berry, Francis T.

Messrs. Bixby, Charles C.

Blake, Edwin H.

Blume, Andreas

Boardman, Francis

Brackett, Albert A.

Brewer, Edward W.

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Messrs. Brigham, Arthur A.

Brooks, A. Olin
 Brown, John F.
 Calnan, Patrick J.
 Cannell, Joseph H.
 Carman, William A.
 Carney, Michael
 Carpenter, George N.
 Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.
 Church, Moses D.
 Clark, Henry
 Close, George
 Conroy, James
 Cutler, Samuel
 Dame, Albert L.
 Doherty, John
 Donovan, Edward J.
 Donovan, James
 Dresser, Theodore P.
 Fales, Frank A.
 Farren, Thomas G.
 Ferry, William F.
 Fisher, Albert L.
 Fisk, Edward P.
 Floyd, David, 2d
 Flynn, Edward J.
 Fottler, Jacob
 Friend, Henry
 Frost, Henry,
 Garity, Michael
 Gile, William A.
 Gleason, Willard F.
 Goss, Charles
 Gracey, Samuel L.
 Gray, Davis P.
 Greenwood, Morrill A.
 Grosvenor, Charles F.
 Hall, Frederick S.
 Hartwell, Benjamin H.
 Hatch, Franklin W.
 Hathaway, James A.
 Haynes, Henry D.
 Hill, Luther
 Holman, Frank E.
 Hooper, George M.
 Hunt, George H.
 Jaques, Alden P.
 Kennedy, Patrick J.
 Kimball, John W.
 Leach, William T.

Messrs. Leary, Edward J.

Lothrop, J. Q. A.
 Lovell, Clarence P.
 Lyons, Henry S.
 McCarthy, Patrick
 McDonald, Robert H.
 McDonough, John H.
 McEnaney, Thomas O.
 McEttrick, Michael J.
 Merrill, John F.
 Miller, Albert E.
 Milliken, Daniel L.
 Milne, John C.
 Monahan, William H.
 Morey, George F.
 O'Mealey, John W.
 O'Neil, John W.
 Parkman, Henry
 Pear, Isaac S.
 Perkins, Nathaniel B.
 Pierce, Charles Q.
 Plaisted, John W.
 Poore, William H.
 Preble, William H.
 Qua, Francis W.
 Quincy, Josiah
 Quinn, Andrew
 Raymond, Francis H.
 Read, John
 Riddell, Henry
 Robinson, Ethan C.
 Robinson, J. Henry
 Rogers, Samuel N.
 Rugg, Charles P.
 Sanford, Alpheus
 Sanger, Chester F.
 Seavey, Charles W.
 Simonds, S. Dwight
 Slocum, George W.
 Smith, Sidney P.
 Sohler, William D.
 Southwick, Benjamin F.
 Spring, Charles E.
 Stowe, Elijah B.
 Taft, Robert L.
 Thayer, Rufus A.
 Thompson, A. Cranston
 Thompson, Albert G.
 Tompkins, Isaac B.
 Tyler, Ansel P.

Messrs. Wales, Abijah T.
Warden, Erskine
Wardwell, J. Otis
Ware, M. Everett
Wharton, William F.

Messrs. White, William L., Jr.
Wilde, William A.
Wiley, Albert L.
Woods, Frank F.
Woodward, Charles F.

NAYS.

Messrs. Atwood, Harrison H.
Barrett, William E.
Bottum, John B.
Champlin, Arthur B.
Clark, David H.
Clark, Schuyler
Coolidge, George H.
Coveney, John W.
Cronin, James M.
Crowell, Joshua
Davis, Edmund A.
Delano, John W.
Dolan, Bernard
Driscoll, John
Eames, Harry M.
Eldridge, Albert R.
Finney, Elkanah
Flynn, Thomas J.
Gagan, Edward
Gibson, George W.
Gleason, Joseph H.
Gordon, William, Jr.
Griswold, Freeman C.
Gunn, Daniel
Hagerty, David J.
Haggerty, Charles
Hayes, Elihu B.
Hayes, John E.
Hinchcliffe, William J.
Hixon, William S.
Holbrook, John A.
Keane, Jeremiah J.
Kendall, Horace M.
Lally, James, Jr.
Lyman, Payson W.

Messrs. Manning, Albert S.
Martin, James P.
McCall, Samuel W.
McCooley, Thomas
Mellen, James H.
Miller, Lyman M.
Morton, Harrison E.
Nelson, Sidney T.
Noonan, Thomas L.
Norwood, Caleb J.
O'Brien, Dennis J.
O'Neill, Thomas F.
Peirson, Henry M.
Provin, William
Quinn, Dennis J.
Quinn, Philip H.
Raymond, Samuel M.
Risteen, John C.
Rogers, Joseph W.
Rogerson, Wm. B.
Russell, Alvin D.
Shepard, Charles F.
Stimpson, Daniel P.
Story, Cyrus
Sullivan, Michael F.
Symonds, Charles H.
Temple, Albert H.
Towne, Joseph L.
Turner, Henry A.
Upham, Samuel O.
Vanderhoop, Edwin D.
Whitcher, James E.
Wilkinson, John W.
Willis, Rufus H.
Winchester, Reuben

Yeas, 122 ; nays, 70.

On this question, Messrs. Slocum of Newton, Waters of Orange, Armstrong of Boston, Trull of Tewksbury, Winthrop of Stockbridge and Witt of Boston, who, it

was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired, respectively, with Messrs. Carey of Dalton, Haskell of Deerfield, Wyman of Hyde Park, Sullivan of Boston, Kearn of North Adams and Atherton of Saugus.

The Bill to authorize appeals from assessors of taxes to the Superior Court was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. The pending amendment, recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, to substitute a bill, and the pending amendments, moved by Messrs. Hall of Taunton and Sohier of Beverly, to the substitute bill, were severally rejected, and, after debate, the bill was rejected, and notice was sent to the Senate.

The Bill relating to fraternal beneficiary organizations was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Pending this question, and pending amendments moved by Mr. Church of Cambridge, the House,

At twenty-two minutes before five o'clock, adjourned.

THURSDAY, May 17, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

School Fund.

On motion of Mr. Lyman of Belchertown, —

Voted, That the special report of the State Board of Education concerning the income of the Massachusetts school fund, and relative to the establishment of a half-mill fund for the support of public schools (House, No. 48 of 1887), be reprinted as a House document.

Massachusetts
school fund, —
half-mill fund
for the support
of public
schools.

Orders.

The following order, offered by Mr. Gile of Worcester, was laid over at the request of Mr. Smith of Athol: —

Ordered, That when the House adjourns next Friday afternoon it shall be to meet on Saturday morning at 10.15 o'clock.

Hour of
meeting.

The following order, laid over from yesterday, was considered: —

Ordered, That no person except members and officers of the Legislature be admitted to the floor of the House during the remainder of the session.

Privilege of the
floor of the
House of Repre-
sentatives.

After debate, the yeas and nays were ordered at the request of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, and, the roll being called, the order was rejected by a vote of 79 yeas to 106 nays, as follows: —

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen, Montessor T.
Atwood, Harrison H.
Babbitt, Rollin H.
Backup, John
Barrett, William E.
Bartlett, Joseph F.
Bennett, Charles H.
Blume, Andreas
Boardman, Francis
Brackett, Albert A.
Brewer, Edward W.
Brigham, Arthur A.

Messrs. Brooks, A. Olin
Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.
Clark, David H.
Clark, Schuyler
Close, George
Coveney, John W.
Dennis, George
Dolan, Bernard
Fales, Frank A.
Ferry, William F.
Finney, Elkanah
Fisk, Edward P.

Messrs. Gleason, Joseph H.	Messrs. Perkins, Nathaniel R.
Griswold, Freeman C.	Provin, William
Grosvenor, Charles F.	Qua, Francis W.
Gunn, Daniel	Quincy, Josiah
Hall, Frederick S.	Raymond, Samuel M.
Hatch, Franklin W.	Read, John
Hinchcliffe, William J.	Robinson, Ethan C.
Holbrook, John A.	Rugg, Charles P.
Holman, Frank E.	Sanger, Chester F.
Hunt, George H.	Seavey, Charles W.
Kearn, George H.	Slocum, George W.
Kendall, Horace M.	Smith, Sidney P.
Kinball, Henry A.	Sohier, William D.
Leach, William T.	Southwick, Benjamin F.
Lyman, Payson W.	Stowe, Elijah B.
Lyons, Henry S.	Taft, Robert L.
McCall, Samuel W.	Temple, Albert H.
McCarthy, Patrick	Thompson, Albert G.
McDonald, Robert H.	Tompkins, Isaac B.
McDonough, John H.	Vanderhoop, Edwin D.
McEnaney, Thomas O.	Warden, Erskine
Merrill, John F.	Ware, M. Everett
Miller, Albert E.	Waters, Franklin L.
Miller, Lyman M.	Whitcher, James E.
Morey, George F.	White, William L., Jr.
Morin, John M.	Wilkinson, John W.
Parkman, Henry	Willis, Rufus H.
Pear, Isaac S.	

NAYS.

Messrs. Atherton, Horace H.	Messrs. Cutler, Samuel
Bixby, Charles C.	Dame, Albert L.
Bottum, John B.	Dame, Luther
Brown, John F.	Delano, John W.
Burnham, William Howe	Dewey, Wilson
Butler, William A.	Donovan, James
Calnan Patrick J.	Dresser, Theodore P.
Cannell, Joseph H.	Driscoll, John
Carman, William A.	Dunlea, James J.
Carney, Michael	Eames, Harry M.
Carpenter, George N.	Eldridge, Albert R.
Champlin, Arthur B.	Farren, Thomas G.
Church, Moses D.	Fisher, Albert L.
Collison, Harvey N.	Floyd, David, 2d
Conroy, James	Flynn, Thomas J.
Conwell, David	Fottler, Jacob
Coolidge, George H.	Friend, Henry
Cronin, James M.	Garity, Michael
Crowell, Joshua	Gibson, George W.

Messrs. Gile, William A.	Messrs. Pierce, Charles Q.
Gleason, Willard F.	Pinkerton, Alfred S.
Gordon, William, Jr.	Plaisted, John W.
Goss, Charles	Pratt, Harvey H.
Gracey, Samuel L.	Quinn, Andrew
Gray, Davis P.	Quinn, Dennis J.
Greenwood, Morrill A.	Quinn, Philip H.
Hagerty, David J.	Raymond, Francis H.
Hartwell, Benjamin H.	Riddell, Henry
Hayes, Elihu B.	Rogers, Joseph W.
Haynes, Henry D.	Rogers, Samuel N.
Hill, Luther	Rogerson, Wm. B.
Hitchcock, Calvin	Russell, Alvin D.
Hooper, George M.	Sanford, Alpheus
Jaques, Alden P.	Shepard, Charles F.
Kimball, John W.	Simonds, S. Dwight
Lally, James, Jr.	Spring, Charles E.
Leary, Edward J.	Stimpson, Daniel P.
Lothrop, J. Q. A.	Story, Cyrus
Manning, Albert S.	Sullivan, Michael F.
Martin, James P.	Sullivan, Thomas F.
McCooley, Thomas	Thayer, Rufus A.
McEttrick, Michael J.	Turner, Henry A.
Milliken, Daniel L.	Tyler, Ansel P.
Milne, John C.	Upham, Samuel O.
Monahan, William H.	Wales, Abijah T.
Nelson, Sidney T.	Wardwell, J. Otis
Noonan, Thomas L.	Wharton, William F.
Norwood, Caleb J.	Wilde, William A.
O'Brien, Dennis J.	Wiley, Albert L.
O'Mealey, John W.	Winchester, Reuben
O'Neill, Thomas F.	Witt, Charles T.
Peirson, Henry M.	Woods, Frank F.
Perry, George R.	Wright, Arthur

Yeas, 79 ; nays, 106.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Lovell of Boston, the report of the committee on Cities, leave to withdraw, on the petition of N. M. Jewett and others to allow the city of Boston to tunnel from Boston proper to East Boston, was taken from the table, and was, on his further motion, referred to the next General Court.

Tunnel from
Boston proper
to East Boston.

Motion to Reconsider.

Mr. Brigham of Marlborough moved to reconsider the vote whereby the Bill to supply the town of Maynard with water was yesterday passed to be engrossed.

After debate, the motion to reconsider was lost by a vote of 58 to 71.

Paper from the Senate.

Salary of the
Secretary of the
Commonwealth.

A report of the committee of conference, on the matter of difference between the two branches on the Senate Bill to establish the salary of the Secretary of the Commonwealth, that the Senate should recede from its non-concurrence and should concur in the House amendment, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Sohier of Beverly.

Reports of Committees.

Desecration of
graves.

By Mr. Colby of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill to prevent desecration of graves by the removal therefrom of flowers, flags or any other memorial token.

State Farm at
Bridgewater.

By Mr. Hartwell of Ayer, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve relative to the erection of buildings for criminal insane men at the State Farm at Bridgewater, and for other purposes, ought to pass in a new draft, with the title "Resolve providing for the erection of new buildings at the State Farm at Bridgewater."

Ways of egress
and means of
escape from fire
in certain
buildings.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, from the same committee, that the Bill in relation to ways of egress and means of escape from fire in certain buildings ought to pass in a new draft with the same title.

Fall River court
house.

By Mr. Wharton of Boston, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (recommitted) to amend an act relative to the erection of a court-house in Fall River ought to pass in a new draft, with the title "Bill to amend chapter two hundred and eighty-five of the Acts of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-seven, relative to the erection of a court-house in the city of Fall River."

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve in favor of the Hospital Cottages for Children ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon for a second reading.

Hospital
cottages for
children.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

To amend an act to give the trustees of the Eastern Railroad Company additional authority to invest the sinking fund of said corporation :

Bills enacted.

To provide for the preparation and publication of supplements to the Public Statutes ;

To provide for the punishment of female persons for a second offence of drunkenness ;

To incorporate the Avon Cemetery Association in the town of Avon ; and

To authorize the city of Boston to refund a portion of the money paid as betterments for the Marine Park in said city ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Relative to the proof of certain probate notices ; and

To authorize cities to indemnify police officers for injuries received or expenses incurred while acting as police officers ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

In addition to a resolve in relation to public records of parishes, towns and counties ;

Resolves
passed.

In favor of Ellen C. Johnson ; and

In favor of the town of Florida ;

(Which severally originated in the House ;)

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. McDonough of Boston, the Bill to amend an act entitled An Act to authorize the incorporation of the Meigs Elevated Railway Company was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Meigs Elevated
Railway
Company.

Water gas.

On motion of Mr. Read of Cambridge, the Bill authorizing the Gas Commissioners to license certain gas companies to make and sell water gas for illuminating purposes was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and, pending the question on engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until next Tuesday morning, to be placed first in the orders of the day.

Bay State Gas Company.

On motion of Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, the Bill in relation to the Bay State Gas Company was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and, pending the question on its engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until, next Tuesday morning, to be placed second in the orders of the day.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 104 of the Public Statutes relating to the inspection of buildings, was accepted.

The Bill for the relief of persons who served in the army or navy of the United States during the rebellion, and their dependent families; and the

Resolve in favor of William C. Nye;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill in relation to the labor of prisoners was read a second time, amended, as recommended by the committee on Prisons, and, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relative to the validity of mortgages of real estate as against assignees in insolvency; and the

Resolve to provide for the better protection against fire of the Reformatory Prison for Women and to repeal chapter 92 of the Resolves of the year 1887 (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

In relation to mortgage loan and investment companies ;

Relative to the discharge of small loans and the redemption of the security given for such loans ; and

To provide for an additional officer on the district police force ;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill relating to fraternal beneficiary organizations was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. The pending amendments moved by Mr. Church of Cambridge were adopted, and, after debate, the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

At ten minutes before one o'clock, adjourned, the House having previously voted, on motions of Mr. Lyons of North Adams, to suspend the rule relative to adjournment, also that when the House adjourns it be to meet at 2.15 o'clock P.M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.*Order.*

The order, laid over from the morning, relative to a morning session of the House on Saturday, was rejected.

Morning session.

Paper from the Senate.

A report of the committee on Military Affairs, on the condition of the State Arsenal and Camp Ground at South Framingham, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Southwick of Peabody.

State Arsenal and Camp Ground at South Framingham.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Pear of Cambridge, from the committee on Water Supply, on a petition, a Bill to supply the town of Winchendon with water. Read and ordered to a second reading.

Winchendon water supply.

By Mr. Wharton of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill relating to the laying out, alteration, discontinuance and repairs of highways in the city of Boston ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Highways in the city of Boston.

Bills Enacted.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To incorporate the city of Woburn ; and
 For the final determination of contests concerning the
 appointment of electors of President and Vice-President
 of the United States ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To protect the purity of inland waters, and to require
 consultation with the State Board of Health regarding the
 establishment of systems of water supply, drainage and
 sewerage (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent
 to the Senate.

*Discharged from the Orders.*Support of
paupers in the
State lunatic
hospitals.

On motion of Mr. Warden of Waltham, the Bill relative
 to the support of paupers in the State lunatic hospitals.
 was discharged from the orders of the day, under a sus-
 pension of the rule. It was read a second time, and,
 pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it
 was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed
 for further consideration until next Monday, to be placed
 first in the orders of the day.

*Orders of the Day.*Orders of the
Day.

The Bill to prevent desecration of graves by the re-
 moval therefrom of flowers, flags, or any other memorial
 token ; and the

Resolve providing for the erection of new buildings at
 the State Farm at Bridgewater ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a
 third reading.

The Resolve in favor of William C. Nye was read a
 third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for con-
 currence.

The report of the committee on Street Railways, leave
 to withdraw, on the petition of S. B. Hinckley and others
 for an act of incorporation as the Boston and Suburban
 Elevated Railway Company was further considered. Mr.
 Gunn of Boston moved to amend by the substitution of a
 " Bill to incorporate the Boston and Suburban Elevated

Railway Company." On motion of Mr. Symonds of Salem, it was voted that debate be closed at five minutes past four o'clock unless a vote should be sooner reached. An amendment moved by Mr. Witt of Boston to the substitute bill was rejected. An amendment moved by Mr. Barrett of Melrose to add a new section, to be numbered section 13, was adopted. After debate, the bill as amended was substituted, and, having been read, was placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

The report of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Thomas J. Mayall for authority to construct an elevated railway in Boston, was further considered. Mr. Colby of Boston moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to authorize the incorporation of the Mayall Elevated Railroad Company." Pending this question, and pending amendments moved by Mr. Colby to the substitute bill, and pending the main question on the acceptance of the report, it was postponed for further consideration until to-morrow afternoon, on motion of Mr. Colby.

The Bill to provide for the further introduction and extension of a police signal system in the city of Boston was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. An amendment moved by Mr. Leary of Boston to add a new section, to be numbered section 2, was adopted, and, after debate, the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment.

At seventeen minutes past five o'clock, adjourned.

FRIDAY, May 18, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Introduced on Leave.

Plainville Water
Company.

By Mr. Finney of Plymouth, a Bill to revive chapter 127 of the Acts of the year 1886, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Plainville Water Company." Read and referred to the committee on Water Supply, under a suspension of the 11th and 12th Joint Rules, and sent up for concurrence.

Paper from the Senate.

Apples, beans
and peas.

The House Bill to regulate the sale of apples, beans and peas came down with the endorsement that the Senate insisted and asked for a committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches; Messrs. Kimball, Glines and Fletcher being appointed the committee on the part of the Senate. On motion of Mr. Brigham of Marlborough, the House concurred in the appointment of a committee, and Messrs. Brigham of Marlborough, Haskell of Deerfield and Fottler of Boston were appointed on the part of the House.

Report of a Committee.

Father Ma-
thew Mutual
Benevolent
Total Absti-
nence Society.

By Mr. Gile of Worcester, from the committee on Mercantile Affairs, on a petition, a Bill to amend an act to incorporate the Very Reverend Father Mathew Mutual Benevolent Total Abstinence Society. Read and ordered to a second reading.

Discharged from the Orders.

Meigs Elevated
Railway Com-
pany.

On motion of Mr. McDonough of Boston, the Bill to amend an act entitled "An Act to authorize the incorporation of the Meigs Elevated Railway Company" was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. On further motion of Mr. McDonough, Rule 15 was suspended.

*Bills Enacted.***Engrossed bills :**

To provide armories for the Massachusetts Volunteer Bills enacted.
 Militia (which originated in the House) ; and

To establish the salary of the Secretary of the Commonwealth ; and

To amend an act entitled " An Act to authorize the incorporation of the Meigs Elevated Railway Company " ;
 (Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

*Orders of the Day.***Bills :**

To revise the charter of the city of Lawrence ;

In relation to ways of egress and means of escape from fire in certain buildings ; and Orders of the Day.

Relating to the laying out, alteration, discontinuance and repairs of highways in the city of Boston ; and the

Resolve in favor of the Hospital Cottages for Children ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

Providing for the inspection in certain cases of buildings and other structures alleged to be unsafe or dangerous ;

In relation to the labor of prisoners ; and

To prevent desecration of graves by the removal therefrom of flowers, flags, or other memorial token (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading) ; and the

Resolve providing for the erection of new buildings at the State Farm at Bridgewater ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relating to fraternal beneficiary organizations was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendments previously adopted by the House.

The Bill to expedite the settlement of claims for pensions was read a third time and considered. Amendments, moved by Messrs. Ware of Boston and Gracey of Salem, were adopted, and, after debate, the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to supply the town of Ashburnham with pure water was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Amendments, moved by Messrs. Wardwell of Haverhill and Waters of Orange, were rejected, and, after debate, the bill was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to supply the town of Winchendon with water was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Smith of Athol, postponed for further consideration until Monday.

The Bill relating to underground conduits was read a second time and considered. Mr. Barrett of Melrose moved to amend by adding, at the end of section 5, the words: "provided that any person or corporation receiving the privileges referred to in this section shall pay, annually, two per cent. of the gross receipts into the treasury of the town or city through which such conduits are laid, pro rata according to the length of the conduit laid in each." The amendment was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading. Subsequently, the orders of the day being laid upon the table, on motion of Mr. Collison of Boston, the bill was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was read a third time, and, pending the question on engrossment, it was, on further motion of Mr. Collison, postponed for further consideration until Monday, to be placed second in the orders of the day.

Point of order.

The Bill to amend chapter 285 of the Acts of the year 1887, relative to the erection of a court house in the city of Fall River, was read a second time and considered. Pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, Mr. Tompkins of New Bedford raised the point of order that the bill is improperly reported under the order, adopted April 20, directing joint committees to report reference to the next General Court on all matters pending before them on April 27, pending which, the bill was, on further motion of Mr. Tompkins, laid on the table.

The Bill to incorporate the Boston and Suburban Elevated Railway Company was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering the bill to a third reading, the House,

At twenty minutes before one o'clock, adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

House Rule 15.

On motion of Mr. Gile of Worcester,—

Voted, That House Rule 15 be suspended for the remainder of the session. House Rule 15 suspended.

Papers from the Senate.

A Bill to authorize the Hartford and Connecticut Western Railroad Company to extend its road (reported on a petition) [Mr. Roads, of the Senate, and Messrs. McDonough of Boston, Kearn of North Adams and Breed of Lynn, of the House, dissenting], passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading. Hartford and Connecticut Western Railroad Company.

The House Bill to enable the city of Boston, for the purpose of obtaining lands for its public parks, to incur indebtedness outside of the limit fixed by law, passed to be engrossed by the House, came down from the Senate, passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with certain amendments, in which the House concurred, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Parkman of Boston, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly. Public parks in the city of Boston.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Walworth of Newton, the report of the committee on Military Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 97 of chapter 411 of the Acts of the year 1887, so as to provide for a more equitable distribution of the sum paid by the State for armory rents, was taken from the table and was accepted, in concurrence. Armory rents.

On motions of Mr. Sanger of Cambridge, the report of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor of Cambridge for such legislation as will remedy the nuisance now existing by reason of the tracks of the Boston and Albany Railroad crossing the streets of said city at grade, was taken from the table, and was placed in the orders of the day, and postponed for further consideration until Monday next. Cambridge, — Boston and Albany Railroad tracks.

Reports of Committees.

Salary of the
Auditor of the
Common-
wealth.

By Mr. Sohier of Beverly, from the committee on Public Service, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to increasing the salary of the Auditor of the Commonwealth. Read and placed in the orders of the day for Monday.

Governor's
Address,—
schools, Illiter-
ate Minor Act.

By Mr. McEttrick of Boston, from the committee on Education, no further legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's Address as relates to schools and to the Illiterate Minor Act. Read, and, on motion of Mr. McEttrick, the rule was suspended, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Statue of
Josiah Bartlett.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Resolve relating to the acceptance by the Commonwealth of a statue of Josiah Bartlett at Amesbury ought to pass in a new draft with the title, "Resolves providing for the acceptance and the dedication of a statue of Josiah Bartlett by the Commonwealth at Amesbury." Read, and, on motion of Mr. Symonds of Salem, the rules were suspended, and the resolves were read a second and a third time, and were passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence, Rule 15 having also been suspended, on further motion of the same gentleman.

Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.

Engrossed bills :

Bills enacted.

To fix the tenure of office of the members of the police force of the city of Holyoke ;

To provide for an additional officer on the district police force ; and

Relative to the discharge of small loans and the redemption of the security given for such loans ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed.

An engrossed Resolve providing for the erection of buildings in the city of Waltham for the use of the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded (which originated in the House) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

The Bill to incorporate the Boston and Suburban Elevated Railway Company was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. After debate, **an amendment**, moved by Mr. Parkman of Boston, was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading. Orders of the Day.

The Bill to amend an Act to incorporate the Very Reverend Father Mathew Mutual Benevolent Total Abstinence Society was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to supply the town of Ashburnham with pure water was read a third time, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Thomas J. Mayall for authority to construct an elevated railroad in Boston, was further considered. Pending certain amendments, moved by Mr. Colby of Boston, it was postponed for further consideration until Monday, on motion of Mr. Colby.

At thirty-five minutes past four o'clock, adjourned.

MONDAY, May 21, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Payson W. Lyman of Belchertown, a member of the House.

Committee of Conference.

Settlement of
estates of de-
ceased persons.

The Speaker appointed Messrs. Sanger of Cambridge, Sohier of Beverly and Griswold of Greenfield as the committee of conference on the part of the House on the matters of difference between the two branches on the Bill relating to the settlement of estates of deceased persons.

Papers from the Senate.

Report of the
Insurance
Commissioner
relating to fire
and marine
insurance.

A report of the committee on Insurance, no legislation necessary, on part I. of the thirty-third annual report of the Insurance Commissioner relating to fire and marine insurance, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Carpenter of Brookline.

Bills :

Brush Hill
Water Com-
pany.
Milton Water
Company.

To incorporate the Brush Hill Water Company (reported on a petition) ;

To incorporate the Milton Water Company (reported on a petition) ;

Town of
Wellesley, —
Needham water
supply.
Caucuses for
political
purposes.

To authorize the town of Wellesley to supply the town of Needham with water (reported on a petition) ;

To regulate the holding of caucuses or public meetings of the qualified voters of cities and towns for political purposes (reported on an order) ;

Westfield
Academy.

To authorize the trustees of Westfield Academy to expend the income of their funds in aid of the high school of the town of Westfield (reported on a bill introduced on leave in the Senate) ; and

City of Malden.

To authorize the city council of the city of Malden to divide said city into seven wards, and to confirm the election of aldermen and councilmen in said city (reported on a petition) ;

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

A Bill in relation to the solemnization of marriages, **Marriages.** passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

A Bill to provide for printing and distributing ballots **Australian system of voting.** at the public expense, and to regulate voting at State and city elections [Mr. McDonald of Great Barrington, of the House, dissenting] (reported on two orders and on petitions), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

A Resolve to confirm the acts done by Joseph Bennett **Joseph Bennett.** as a justice of the peace (introduced on leave in the Senate) came down for concurrence in the suspension of the 11th and 12th Joint Rules. The House concurred, and the resolve was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

The nineteenth annual report of the State Board of **Report of the State Board of Health.** Health was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Public Health.

A communication from the Board of Harbor and Land **Connecticut River—town of Hadley.** Commissioners, concerning the rapid encroachment of the Connecticut River upon the streets of the town of Hadley, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Harbors and Public Lands.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection by **Manufacture and sale of butter.** that branch of the House Bill to prevent deception in the manufacture and sale of butter.

Report of a Committee.

By Mr. Backup of Boston, from the committee on **Water supply of the town of Athol.** Water Supply, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the town of Athol for authority to take water from Phillipston Pond in the town of Phillipston. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Bill Enacted.

An engrossed Bill in relation to mortgage, loan and **Bill enacted.** investment companies (which originated in the Senate), was passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the
Day.

The report of the committee on Public Service, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to increasing the salary of the Auditor of the Commonwealth, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to amend an act to incorporate the Very Reverend Father Mathew Mutual Benevolent Total Abstinence Society was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relating to the laying out, alteration, discontinuance and repairs of highways in the city of Boston was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill relative to the support of paupers in the State lunatic hospitals was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Mr. Wilde of Malden moved to amend by the substitution of a Bill concerning the price for the support of pauper inmates of State hospitals. After debate, the bill was substituted and was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill relating to underground conduits was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. After debate, Mr. Barrett of Melrose moved the previous question. The motion was lost. Pending the main question, on the engrossment of the bill, the House,

At four minutes past five o'clock, adjourned.

TUESDAY, May 22, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Pratt of Abington, the Resolve relative to the safety of railroad employees was taken from the table. Pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, placed in the orders of the day and postponed for further consideration until the afternoon. Railroad employees.

On motion of Mr. Wyman of Hyde Park, the Resolve providing for an investigation into the subject of the abolition of grade crossings on railroads was taken from the table. Pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, placed in the orders of the day and postponed for further consideration until the afternoon. Grade crossings on railroads.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Nathan Weston, assignee of George M. Weston, for compensation for services performed by said George M. Weston in procuring the passage by Congress in 1859 of a resolve under which the Commonwealth of Massachusetts received the amount of her claim for money expended for the General Government during the war of 1812, accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon. Nathan Weston.

A petition of John Turk that he may be allowed interest on a bounty which has remained in the State Treasury from May 7, 1864, until a recent date, was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Military Affairs, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule. John Turk.

A petition of the East Middlesex Street Railway Company for authority to extend its railroad was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Street Railways, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule. East Middlesex Street Railway Company.

Reports of Committees.

Railroad and
steamboat
police in the city
of Boston.

By Mr. Flynn of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on the Bill (introduced on leave) relating to the appointment of railroad police and steamboat police in the city of Boston. Read and placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon.

Processes is-
suing from
police and dis-
trict courts.

By Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill to amend section 30 of chapter 154 of the Public Statutes relating to processes issuing from police and district courts. Read and ordered to a second reading.

House of the
Good Shepherd.

Mr. Ware of Boston, from the committee on Finance, to whom was referred the Resolve in favor of the House of the Good Shepherd, reported that in granting this institution the sum of \$10,000 in 1870 (Resolves, chapter 81), the report of the Finance committee of that year says: "The committee on Finance, to whom was referred the Resolve in favor of the House of the Good Shepherd in Boston, have considered the same, and understanding from the friends and managers of this institution that they will not claim aid from the State hereafter, if this appropriation is made, report that it ought to pass." For these and other reasons the committee report ought not to pass. Read and placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon, the question being on the rejection of the resolve.

*Bill Enacted and Resolves Passed.***Engrossed bills:**

Bills enacted.

To amend and codify the statutes relating to the collection of taxes;

To enable the city of Boston, for the purpose of obtaining lands for its public parks, to incur indebtedness outside of the limit fixed by law;

Relative to the validity of mortgages of real estate as against assignees in insolvency; and

Relative to amending section one of chapter three hundred and five of the Acts of the year 1886 concerning the punishment for rape;

(Which severally originated in the House); and

Relating to the laying out, alteration, discontinuance and repairs of highways in the city of Boston (which originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves:

In favor of Patience E. Smith; and

Providing for an investigation of the pollution of ponds and streams from which ice is cut for domestic use; Resolves passed.

(Which severally originated in the House); and

Relative to the centennial celebration of the settlement of Ohio and the establishment of civil government in the Northwest Territory (which originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Bills:

To authorize the town of Wellesley to supply the town of Needham with water; Orders of the Day.

To incorporate the Milton Water Company;

To incorporate the Brush Hill Water Company; and

To authorize the trustees of Westfield Academy to expend the income of their funds in aid of the High School of the town of Westfield;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Resolve in favor of the Hospital Cottages for Children was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relating to underground conduits was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. On motion of Mr. Wilde of Malden, it was voted that debate be closed at quarter past twelve o'clock, unless a vote should be sooner reached. After debate, an amendment moved by Mr. Sohier of Beverly was rejected. Amendments moved by Messrs. Brewer of Boston and Quincy of Quincy were adopted. Mr. Wharton of Boston moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to authorize municipal authorities to compel the laying of electrical wires underground." On this question, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Collison of Boston, and, the roll being called, the bill was substituted by a

vote of 108 yeas to 87 nays, and was placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon, the question being on engrossment. The vote was as follows :—

YEAS.

Messrs.	YEAS.	Messrs.
Allen, Montessor T.		Gray, Davis P.
Armstrong, William O.		Hagerty, David J.
Atherton, Horace H.		Hall, Frederick S.
Babbitt, Rollin H.		Haskell, Henry C.
Backup, John		Hatch, Franklin W.
Barrett, William E.		Haynes Henry D.
Bennett, Charles H.		Henry, Robert
Bixby, Charles C.		Hill, Luther
Blake, Edwin H.		Hinchcliffe, William J.
Blume, Andreas		Holbrook, John A.
Bottum, John B.		Hooper, George M.
Breed, Arthur B.		Jaques, Alden P.
Brown, John F.		Kearn, George H.
Burnham, William Howe		Kendall, Horace M.
Butler, William A.		Kimball, Henry A.
Call, Charles A.		Lothrop, J. Q. A.
Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.		Manning, David, Jr.
Clark, David H.		Martin, James P.
Close, George		McCarthy, Patrick
Colby, John F.		Miller, Lyman M.
Conwell, David		Morey, George F.
Crowell, Joshua		Morin, John M.
Cutler, Samuel		Norwood, Caleb J.
Dame, Albert L.		Parkman, Henry
Dame, Luther		Pear, Isaac S.
Davis, Edmund A.		Pinkerton, Alfred S.
Delano, John W.		Plaisted, John W.
Dewey, Wilson		Poore, William H.
Dexter, Solomon K.		Preble, William H.
Dresser, Theodore P.		Qua, Francis W.
Dunlea, James J.		Quinn, Philip H.
Eames, Harry M.		Read, John
Eldridge, Albert R.		Risteen, John C.
Ferry, William F.		Robinson, Ethan C.
Fisher, Albert L.		Robinson, J. Henry
Fisk, Edward P.		Rogers, Samuel N.
Friend, Henry		Rogerson, William B.
Frost, Henry		Rounsevell, Arthur G.
Gile, William A.		Rugg, Charles P.
Gleason, Joseph H.		Russell, Alvin D.
Gleason, Willard F.		Seavey, Charles W.
Gordon, William, Jr.		Shaw, Edward P.
Goss, Charles		Simonds, S. Dwight

Messrs. Slocum, George W.
 Stimpson, Daniel P.
 Stowe, Elijah B.
 Symonds, Charles H.
 Thompson, A. Cranston
 Thompson, Albert G.
 Tompkins, Isaac B.
 Trull, George W.
 Wadlin, Horace G.
 Wales, Abijah T.
 Warden, Erskine

Messrs. Wardwell, J. Otis
 Ware, M. Everett
 Waters, Franklin L.
 Wharton, William F.
 Whitcher, James E.
 White, William L., Jr.
 Wilde, William A.
 Wiley, Albert L.
 Willis, Rufus H.
 Winchester, Reuben
 Wright, Arthur

NATS.

Messrs. Allen, John J.
 Atwood, Harrison H.
 Berry, Francis T.
 Boardman, Francis
 Brackett, Albert A.
 Brady, Peter J.
 Brewer, Edward W.
 Brigham, Arthur A.
 Brooks, A. Olin
 Calnan, Patrick J.
 Cannell, Joseph H.
 Carey, William H.
 Carman, William A.
 Carney, Michael
 Carpenter, George N.
 Church, Moses D.
 Collison, Harvey N.
 Conroy, James
 Coveney, John W.
 Cronin, James M.
 Desmond, Jeremiah
 Doherty, John
 Dolan, Bernard
 Donovan, James
 Driscoll, John
 Fales, Frank A.
 Farren, Thomas G.
 Flynn, Edward J.
 Flynn, Thomas J.
 Fottler, Jacob
 Gagan, Edward
 Garity, Michael
 Greenwood, Morrill A.
 Griswold, Freeman C.
 Haggerty, Charles
 Hastings, William H.

Messrs. Hathaway, James A.
 Hayes, Elihu B.
 Hayes, John E.
 Hixon, William S.
 Holman, Frank E.
 Keane, Jeremiah J.
 Kennedy, Patrick J.
 Kimball, John W.
 Lally, James, Jr.
 Leary, Edward J.
 Lovell, Clarence P.
 Lyman, Payson W.
 Lyons, Henry S.
 Manning, Albert S.
 McCooley, Thomas
 McDonald, Robert H.
 McEnaney, Thomas O.
 McEttrick, Michael J.
 Mellen, James H.
 Merrill, John F.
 Milliken, Daniel L.
 Monahan, William H.
 Noonan, Thomas L.
 O'Brien, Dennis J.
 O'Neil, John W.
 Peirson, Henry M.
 Pierce, Charles Q.
 Pratt, Harvey H.
 Provin, William
 Quinn, Andrew
 Quinn, Dennis J.
 Raymond, Francis H.
 Raymond, Samuel M.
 Rogers, Joseph W.
 Sanger, Chester F.
 Shepard, Charles F.

Messrs. Slocum, Winfield S.	Messrs. Turner, Henry A.
Smith, Sidney P.	Tyler, Ansel P.
Sohier, William D.	Walworth, Arthur C.
Story, Cyrus	Wilkinson, John W.
Sullivan, Michael F.	Witt, Charles T.
Taft, Robert L.	Woods, Frank F.
Temple, Albert H.	Woodward, Charles F.
Towne, Joseph L.	

Yeas, 108; nays, 87.

On this question, Messrs. Upham of Waltham, Thayer of Randolph, Quincy of Quincy, Adams of Lowell, Morton of West Boylston, Bartlett of Montague, Coolidge of West Brookfield and Floyd of Winthrop, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired, respectively, with Messrs. McDonough of Boston, Richards of Lynn, Carroll of Worcester, E. J. Donovan of Boston, Clark of Wilbraham, Riddell of Nantucket, Finney of Plymouth and Leach of Boston.

At twelve minutes before one o'clock, adjourned, the House having previously suspended the rule relating to adjournment at quarter before one o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Introduced on Leave.

State Normal
School at
Bridgewater.

By Mr. Hooper of Bridgewater, a Resolve providing for new steam boilers at the State Normal School at Bridgewater.

Read and referred, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule, to the committee on Finance, and sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Papers from the Senate.

Committee on
Banks and
Banking.

Ordered, In concurrence, that the committee on Banks and Banking be granted until Thursday, May 24, to report upon the several petitions now before it for the incorporation of loan and trust companies.

Town of Athol,
—Athol Water
Company.

A report of the committee on Water Supply, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Athol Water Company for an act to authorize the town of Athol to purchase its property and to raise money to pay for the same, accepted

by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

A Bill to revive chapter 127 of the Acts of the year 1886, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Plainville Water Company" (introduced on leave in the House), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Plainville Water Company.

A Bill appropriating ten thousand dollars annually for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association (substituted in the Senate for a report of the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, reference to the next General Court), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Massachusetts State Firemen's Association.

The Senate Bill to provide for the further introduction and extension of a police signal system in the city of Boston came down with the endorsement that the Senate non-concurred in the House amendment. On motion of Mr. Parkman of Boston, the House receded, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Police signal system in the city of Boston.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, from the committee on Finance, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles G. Stevens and Thomas Harrington for the payment to the Pegan or Dudley tribe of Indians of money due them. Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow.

Pegan or Dudley tribe of Indians.

By Mr. Dexter of Lowell, from the same committee, no legislation necessary, on the report of the Treasurer and Receiver-General as to whether the provisions of sundry resolves of the General Court relating to the Pegan or Dudley Indians, or the guardians of said Indians, and the Commonwealth, have been complied with. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Symonds of Salem.

Report of the Treasurer and Receiver-General.

By Mr. Warden of Waltham, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no legislation necessary, on the Ninth Annual Report of the Board of Lunacy and Charity.

Annual report of the Board of Lunacy and Charity.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, no legislation necessary, on the Thirty-second Annual Report of the Trustees of the Northampton Lunatic Hospital.

Report of the trustees of the Northampton Lunatic Hospital.

Annual report
of the trustees
of the State
Primary and
Reform Schools.

By Mr. Perkins of Winchendon, from the same committee, no legislation necessary, on the Ninth Annual Report of the Trustees of the State Primary and Reform Schools.

Severally read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved in each case by Mr. Warden of Waltham, and sent up for concurrence.

Annual report
of the Worcester
Lunatic
Hospital,—
report of the
trustees of the
Worcester
Insane Asylum
at Worcester.

By Mr. Robinson of Southborough, from the same committee, no legislation necessary, on the Fifty-fifth Annual Report of the Trustees of the Worcester Lunatic Hospital; also the Tenth Annual Report of the Trustees of the Worcester Insane Asylum at Worcester. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Robinson, and sent up for concurrence.

Governor's
Address,—
State Prison
labor.

By Mr. Hall of Taunton, from the committee on Prisons, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's Address as relates to the State Prison, the Reformatory at Concord, and the subject of prison labor. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Hall of Taunton, and sent up for concurrence.

Report of the
Treasurer and
Receiver-General—unclaimed
deposits in sav-
ings banks.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, from the committee on Finance, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of so much of the report of the Treasurer and Receiver-General as refers to the amount of deposits in savings banks unclaimed for twenty years, and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on the Judiciary. Read and accepted.

Accommodation
for the State
government in
Boston.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Resolve authorizing the Governor and Council to devise and report a plan for the better accommodation for the State government in the city of Boston, ought to pass.

School super-
intendents for
towns.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Senate Bill to aid the small towns to provide themselves with school superintendents ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills:

Bills enacted.

To amend an act to incorporate the Very Reverend Father Mathew Mutual Benevolent Total Abstinence Society;

**To expedite the settlement of claims for pensions ; and
 To prevent desecration of graves by the removal there-
 from of flowers, flags or other memorial token ;
 (Which severally originated in the House) ;
 Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent
 to the Senate.**

Engrossed resolves :

In favor of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology ; Resolves
passed.
**Providing for the erection of new buildings at the State
 Farm at Bridgewater ; and**
In favor of William C. Nye ;
(Which severally originated in the House) ; and
**Providing for the acceptance and the dedication of a
 statue of Josiah Bartlett by the Commonwealth, at Ames-
 bury (which originated in the Senate) ;**
Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on the Judiciary, reference Orders of the
Day.
**to the next General Court, on the Bill (introduced on
 leave) relating to the appointment of railroad police and
 steamboat police in the city of Boston, was accepted.**

**The report of the joint committee on the Judiciary,
 leave to withdraw, on the petition of Nathan Weston,
 assignee of George M. Weston, for compensation for ser-
 vices performed by said George M. Weston in procuring
 the passage by Congress in 1859 of a resolve under which
 the Commonwealth of Massachusetts received the amount
 of her claim for money expended for the General Govern-
 ment during the war of 1812, was accepted, in concur-
 rence.**

**The Bill to amend section 30 of chapter 154 of the
 Public Statutes, relating to processes issuing from police
 and district courts, was read a second time and ordered
 to a third reading.**

Bills :

**To authorize the town of Wellesley to supply the town
 of Needham with water ;
 To incorporate the Milton Water Company ;
 To incorporate the Brush Hill Water Company ; and
 To authorize the trustees of Westfield Academy to**

expend the income of their funds in aid of the High School of the town of Westfield;

Were severally read a third time, and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill authorizing the Gas Commissioners to license certain gas companies to make and sell water gas for illuminating purposes was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. Mr. Read of Cambridge moved to amend by the substitution of a "Resolve to provide for an examination of water gas." After debate, the yeas and nays were ordered, on the question of substituting the resolve, at the request of Mr. Read, and, the roll being called, the substitute resolve was rejected by a vote of 97 yeas to 101 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, Charles E.	Messrs. Friend, Henry
Allen, John J.	Gleason, Joseph H.
Armstrong, William O.	Gleason, Willard F.
Atwood, Harrison H.	Gunn, Daniel
Babbitt, Rollin H.	Haggerty, Charles
Backup, John	Hall, Frederick S.
Barrett, William E.	Haskell, Henry C.
Bennett, Charles H.	Hatch, Franklin W.
Berry, Francis T.	Hayes, John E.
Blume, Andreas	Holman, Frank E.
Brackett, Albert A.	Keane, Jeremiah J.
Brady, Peter J.	Kearn, George H.
Breed, Arthur B.	Kendall, Horace M.
Brewer, Edward W.	Kimball, Henry A.
Brooks, A. Olin	Kimball, John W.
Brown, John F.	Knox, Charles H.
Burnham, William Howe	Lovell, Clarence P.
Call, Charles A.	Lyman, Payson W.
Carey, William H.	Lyons, Henry S.
Close, George	McCarthy, Patrick
Collison, Harvey N.	McDonald, Robert H.
Coveney, John W.	McDonough, John H.
Cutler, Samuel	McEttrick, Michael J.
Delano, John W.	Miller, Lyman M.
Doherty, John	Morey, George F.
Dolan, Bernard	Morin, John M.
Fales, Frank A.	Norwood, Caleb J.
Farren, Thomas G.	O'Neil, John W.
Ferry, William F.	Parkman, Henry
Finney, Elkanah	Pear, Isaac S.
Fisk, Edward P.	Peirson, Henry M.

Messrs. Perkins, Nathaniel R.	Messrs. Southwick, Benjamin F.
Pierce, Charles Q.	Story, Cyrus
Preble, William H.	Stowe, Elijah B.
Provin, William	Sullivan, Michael F.
Qua, Francis W.	Taft, Robert L.
Quincy, Josiah	Thompson, Albert G.
Read, John	Tompkins, Isaac B.
Richards, James H.	Trull, George W.
Robinson, Ethan C.	Walworth, Arthur C.
Robinson, J. Henry	Warden, Erskine
Rugg, Charles P.	Ware, M. Everett
Russell, Irving L.	Waters, Franklin L.
Sanford, Alpheus	White, William L., Jr.
Sanger, Chester F.	Wiley, Albert L.
Seavey, Charles W.	Wilkinson, John W.
Shepard, Charles F.	Wright, Arthur
Slocum, Winfield S.	Wyman, Ferdinand A.
Sohier, William D.	

NAYS.

Messrs. Atherton, Horace H.	Messrs. Eldridge, Albert R.
Bartlett, Joseph F.	Fisher, Albert L.
Bixby, Charles C.	Floyd, David, 2d
Blake, Edwin H.	Flynn, Edward J.
Boardman, Francis	Flynn, Thomas J.
Brigham, Arthur A.	Gagan, Edward
Calnan, Patrick J.	Garity, Michael
Cannell, Joseph H.	Gile, William A.
Carman, William A.	Gordon, William, Jr.
Carney, Michael	Gray, Davis P.
Champlin, Arthur B.	Greenwood, Morrill A.
Clark, David H.	Griswold, Freeman C.
Colby, John F.	Hagerty, David J.
Conant, Charles W.	Hastings, William H.
Conroy, James	Hayes, Elihu B.
Conwell, David	Henry, Robert
Coolidge, George H.	Hill, Luther
Cronin, James M.	Hinchcliffe, William J.
Crowell, Joshua	Holbrook, John A.
Dame, Albert L.	Hooper, George M.
Dame, Luther	Jaques, Alden P.
Davis, Edmund A.	Kennedy, Patrick J.
Desmond, Jeremiah	Leary, Edward J.
Dewey, Wilson	Lothrop, J. Q. A.
Donovan, Edward J.	Manning, Albert S.
Donovan, James	Martin, James P.
Dresser, Theodore P.	Mellen, James H.
Dunlea, James J.	Merrill, John F.
Eames, Harry M.	Milliken, Daniel L.

Messrs. Monahan, William H.	Messrs. Slocum, George W.
Noonan, Thomas L.	Smith, Sidney P.
O'Brien, Dennis J.	Spring, Charles E.
O'Mealey, John W.	Stimpson, Daniel P.
O'Neill, Thomas F.	Sullivan, Thomas F.
Perry, George R.	Symonds, Charles H.
Pinkerton, Alfred S.	Thayer, Rufus A.
Plaisted, John W.	Thompson, A. Cranston
Pratt, Harvey H.	Towne, Joseph L.
Quinn, Andrew	Turner, Henry A.
Quinn, Dennis J.	Tyler, Ansel P.
Quinn, Philip H.	Upham, Samuel O.
Raymond, Francis H.	Vanderhoop, Edwin D.
Raymond, Samuel M.	Wadlin, Horace G.
Riddell, Henry	Wales, Abijah T.
Risteen, John C.	Wardwell, J. Otis
Rogers, Joseph W.	Wharton, William F.
Rogers, Samuel N.	Wilde, William A.
Rogerson, William B.	Witt, Charles T.
Rounsevell, Arthur G.	Woods, Frank F.
Russell, Alvin D.	Woodward, Charles F.
Simonds, S. Dwight	

Yeas, 97; nays, 101.

On this question, Messrs. McCall of Winchester, Hitchcock of Ware, Leach of Boston, Temple of Colrain, Haynes of Sturbridge, Cheney of Worcester, Hartwell of Ayer, Winchester of Holyoke, Manning of Worcester and Carpenter of Brookline, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired, respectively, with Messrs. Whitchee of Stoneham, Grosvenor of Ludlow, Morton of West Boylston, Poore of Bradford, Clark of Huntington, Carroll of Worcester, Willis of New Bedford, Gibson of Chicopee, Driscoll of Lynn and Bottum of Northampton.

On the question on engrossment of the bill, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Lyons of North Adams, and, the roll being called, the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, by a vote of 108 yeas to 91 nays, and sent up for concurrence in the amendment previously adopted by the House. The vote was as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Atherton, Horace H.	Messrs. Hill, Luther
Bartlett, Joseph F.	Hinchcliffe, William J.
Bixby, Charles C.	Holbrook, John A.
Blake, Edwin H.	Hooper, George M.
Boardman, Francis	Jaques, Alden P.
Brigham, Arthur A.	Kennedy, Patrick J.
Burnham, William Howe	Leary, Edward J.
Calnan, Patrick J.	Lothrop, J. Q. A.
Cannell, Joseph H.	Manning, Albert S.
Carman, William A.	Martin, James P.
Carney, Michael	McEnaney, Thomas O.
Champlin, Arthur B.	Mellen, James H.
Church, Moses D.	Merrill, John F.
Clark, David H.	Milliken, Daniel L.
Colby, John F.	Monahan, William H.
Conant, Charles W.	Noonan, Thomas L.
Conroy, James	O'Brien, Dennis J.
Conwell, David	O'Mealey, John W.
Coolidge, George H.	O'Neill, Thomas F.
Cronin, James M.	Perry, George R.
Crowell, Joshua	Pinkerton, Alfred S.
Dame, Albert L.	Plaisted, John W.
Dame, Luther	Pratt, Harvey H.
Davis, Edmund A.	Quincy, Josiah
Desmond, Jeremiah	Quinn, Andrew
Dewey, Wilson	Quinn, Dennis J.
Donovan, Edward J.	Quinn, Philip H.
Donovan, James	Raymond, Francis H.
Dresser, Theodore P.	Raymond, Samuel M.
Dunlea, James J.	Riddell, Henry
Eames, Harry M.	Risteen, John C.
Eldridge, Albert R.	Rogers, Joseph W.
Fisher, Albert L.	Rogers, Samuel N.
Floyd, David, 2d	Rogerson, William B.
Flynn, Edward J.	Rounsevell, Arthur G.
Flynn, Thomas J.	Rugg, Charles P.
Gagan, Edward	Russell, Alvin D.
Garity, Michael	Simonds, S. Dwight
Gile, William A.	Slocum, George W.
Gordon, William, Jr.	Smith, Sidney P.
Gray, Davis P.	Spring, Charles E.
Greenwood, Morrill A.	Stimpson, Daniel P.
Griswold, Freeman C.	Story, Cyrus
Hagerty, David J.	Sullivan, Thomas F.
Hastings, William H.	Symonds, Charles H.
Hayes, Elihu B.	Thayer, Rufus A.
Henry, Robert	Thompson, A. Cranston

Messrs. Towne, Joseph L.
 Trull, George W.
 Turner, Henry A.
 Tyler, Ansel P.
 Upham, Samuel O.
 Vanderhoop, Edwin D.
 Wadlin, Horace G.

Messrs. Wales, Abijah T.
 Wardwell, J. Otis
 Wharton, William F.
 Wilde, William A.
 Witt, Charles T.
 Woods, Frank F.
 Woodward, Charles F.

NAYS.

Messrs. Adams, Charles E.
 Allen, John J.
 Armstrong, William O.
 Atwood, Harrison H.
 Babbitt, Rollin H.
 Backup, John
 Barrett, William E.
 Bennett, Charles H.
 Berry, Francis T.
 Blume, Andreas
 Brady, Peter J.
 Breed, Arthur B.
 Brewer, Edward W.
 Brooks, A. Olin
 Brown, John F.
 Call, Charles A.
 Carey, William H.
 Close, George
 Collison, Harvey N.
 Coveney, John W.
 Cutler, Samuel
 Doherty, John
 Dolan, Bernard
 Fales, Frank A.
 Farren, Thomas G.
 Ferry, William F.
 Finney, Elkanah
 Fisk, Edward P.
 Fottler, Jacob
 Friend, Henry
 Gleason, Joseph H.
 Gleason, Willard F.
 Gunn, Daniel
 Haggerty, Charles
 Hall, Frederick S.
 Haskell, Henry C.
 Hatch, Franklin W.
 Hayes, John E.
 Holman, Frank E.
 Keane, Jeremiah J.

Messrs. Kearn, George H.
 Kendall, Horace M.
 Kimball, Henry A.
 Kimball, John W.
 Knox, Charles H.
 Lovell, Clarence P.
 Lyman, Payson W.
 Lyons, Henry S.
 McCarthy, Patrick
 McDonald, Robert H.
 McDonough, John H.
 McEttrick, Michael J.
 Miller, Lyman M.
 Morey, George F.
 Morin, John M.
 Norwood, Caleb J.
 O'Neil, John W.
 Parkman, Henry
 Pear, Isaac S.
 Peirson, Henry M.
 Perkins, Nathaniel R.
 Pierce, Charles Q.
 Preble, William H.
 Provin, William
 Qua, Francis W.
 Read, John
 Richards, James H.
 Robinson, Ethan C.
 Robinson, J. Henry
 Russell, Irving L.
 Sanford, Alpheus
 Sanger, Chester F.
 Seavey, Charles W.
 Shepard, Charles F.
 Slocum, Winfield S.
 Sohler, William D.
 Southwick, Benjamin F.
 Stowe, Elijah B.
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 Taft, Robert L.

Messrs. Thompson, Albert G.	Messrs. White, William L., Jr.
Tompkins, Isaac B.	Wiley, Albert L.
Walworth, Arthur C.	Wilkinson, John W.
Warden, Erskine	Wright, Arthur
Ware, M. Everett	Wyman, Ferdinand A.
Waters, Franklin L.	

Yeas, 108 ; nays, 91.

On this question, Messrs. Bottum of Northampton, Whitchee of Stoneham, Grosvenor of Ludlow, Morton of West Boylston, Poore of Bradford, Clark of Huntington, Willis of New Bedford, Carroll of Worcester, Gibson of Chicopee and Driscoll of Lynn, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired, respectively, with Messrs. Carpenter of Brookline, McCall of Winchester, Hitchcock of Ware, Leach of Boston, Temple of Colrain, Haynes of Sturbridge, Hartwell of Ayer, Cheney of Worcester, Winchester of Holyoke and Manning of Worcester.

The Bill in relation to the Bay State Gas Company was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. After debate, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Parkman of Boston, and, the roll being called, the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, by a vote of 79 yeas to 66 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Bartlett, Joseph F.	Messrs. Dame, Albert L.
Bixby, Charles C.	Dame, Luther
Blake, Edwin H.	Desmond, Jeremiah
Boardman, Francis	Dewey, Wilson
Brigham, Arthur A.	Donovan, Edward J.
Burnham, William Howe	Donovan, James
Butler, William A.	Dresser, Theodore P.
Calnan, Patrick J.	Dunlea, James J.
Cannell, Joseph H.	Flynn, Edward J.
Carman, William A.	Flynn, Thomas J.
Carney, Michael	Gagan, Edward
Champlin, Arthur B.	Garity, Michael
Conant, Charles W.	Gile, William A.
Conroy, James	Greenwood, Morrill A.
Conwell, David	Griswold, Freeman C.
Coolidge, George H.	Hagerty, David J.
Cronin, James M.	Hastings, William H.
Crowell, Joshua	Hayes, Elihu B.

Messrs. Hill, Luther

Holbrook, John A.
 Hooper, George M.
 Manning, Albert S.
 Martin, James P.
 McDonough, John H.
 Milliken, Daniel L.
 Monahan, William H.
 Morton, Harrison E.
 Noonan, Thomas L.
 O'Brien, Dennis J.
 O'Mealey, John W.
 O'Neill, Thomas F.
 Peirson, Henry M.
 Plaisted, John W.
 Preble, William H.
 Quinn, Andrew
 Quinn, Dennis J.
 Quinn, Philip H.
 Raymond, Francis H.
 Riddell, Henry
 Robinson, Ethan C.

Messrs. Rogers, Joseph W.

Rogerson, William B.
 Shaw, Edward P.
 Smith, Sidney P.
 Spring, Charles E.
 Stimpson, Daniel P.
 Sullivan, Thomas F.
 Symonds, Charles H.
 Thayer, Rufus A.
 Thompson, A. Cranston
 Towne, Joseph L.
 Trull, George W.
 Turner, Henry A.
 Tyler, Ansel P.
 Upham, Samuel O.
 Vanderhoop, Edwin D.
 Wardwell, J. Otis
 Wilde, William A.
 Witt, Charles T.
 Woods, Frank F.
 Woodward, Charles F.

NATS.**Messrs. Adams, Charles E.**

Atwood, Harrison H.
 Backup, John
 Barrett, William E.
 Bennett, Charles H.
 Berry, Francis T.
 Blume, Andreas
 Brady, Peter J.
 Brewer, Edward W.
 Brown, John F.
 Carey, William H.
 Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.
 Coveney, John W.
 Cutler, Samuel
 Doherty, John
 Dolan, Bernard
 Fales, Frank A.
 Farren, Thomas G.
 Ferry, William F.
 Finney, Elkanah
 Fisk, Edward P.
 Friend, Henry
 Gleason, Joseph H.
 Grosvenor, Charles F.
 Gunn, Daniel

Messrs. Haggerty, Charles

Hatch, Franklin W.
 Hayes, John E.
 Haynes, Henry D.
 Kearn, George H.
 Kendall, Horace M.
 Kimball, Henry A.
 Kimball, John W.
 Knox, Charles H.
 Lovell, Clarence P.
 Lyman, Payson W.
 Lyons, Henry S.
 McDonald, Robert H.
 McEttrick, Michael J.
 Miller, Lyman M.
 Morey, George F.
 Morin, John M.
 O'Neil, John W.
 Parkman, Henry
 Pear, Isaac S.
 Perkins, Nathaniel R.
 Pierce, Charles Q.
 Provin, William
 Quincy, Josiah
 Read, John

Messrs. Russell, Alvin D.	Messrs. Walworth, Arthur C.
Russell, Irving L.	Warden, Erskine
Sanford, Alpheus	Ware, M. Everett
Sanger, Chester F.	Waters, Franklin L.
Seavey, Charles W.	Wharton, William F.
Slocum, George W.	Wiley, Albert L.
Sullivan, Michael F.	Wilkinson, John W.
Thompson, Albert G.	Wyman, Ferdinand A.

Yeas, 79 ; nays, 66.

On this question, Messrs. Mellen of Worcester, Lothrop of Cohasset, Gordon of New Bedford, Bottum of Northampton, Pinkerton of Worcester, Whitcher of Stoneham, Wales of Attleborough, Raymond of Hinsdale, Kennedy of Boston, Henry of Fall River, Merrill of Quincy, Jaques of Haverhill, McEnaney of Boston, Carroll of Worcester, Pratt of Abington, Rounsevell of Freetown, Leary of Boston, Poore of Bradford, Gibson of Chicopee, Gray of Northbridge, Eames of Lawrence, Willis of New Bedford and Hinchcliffe of Lawrence, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired, respectively, with Messrs. Qua of Lowell, Breed of Lynn, Fottler of Boston, Carpenter of Brookline, Southwick of Peabody, McCall of Winchester, Allen of Auburn, Slocum of Newton, Keane of Holyoke, McCarthy of Brockton, Sohler of Beverly, Call of Springfield, Holman of Clinton, Collison of Boston, Hall of Taunton, Babbitt of Berkley, Haskell of Deerfield, Temple of Colrain, Winchester of Holyoke, Manning of Worcester, Shepard of Westfield, Taft of New Marlborough and Hartwell of Ayer.

At three minutes past five o'clock, adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, May 23, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Paper from the Senate.

Joseph Bennett. A Resolve to confirm the acts done by Joseph Bennett as a justice of the peace (introduced on leave in the Senate), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and, on motion of Mr. Wharton of Boston, the rules were suspended, and the resolve was read a second and a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Taken from the Table.

, On motion of Mr. Read of Cambridge, the Bill to change the name of the Dakota Mortgage Loan Corporation and to grant it additional powers, was taken from the table. Pending the question on ordering to a third reading, Mr. Read moved to amend by the substitution of a bill with the same title, which was adopted, and the bill as amended was ordered to a third reading.

Reports of Committees.

Lien law. By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the lien law so as to provide protection to persons furnishing material for building purposes.

Half-mill school fund. By Mr. Hartwell of Ayer, from the committee on Finance, reference to the next General Court, on the Bill to establish a half-mill fund for the support of public schools, and to provide for the distribution thereof. (See House, No. 546.)

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon.

Report of the Commissioners of Prisons on the Reformatory Prison for Women.

By Mr. Gibson of Chicopee, from the committee on Prisons, no legislation necessary, on the seventeenth annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons on the Reformatory Prison for Women at Sherborn. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Hall of Taunton, and sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Wyman of Hyde Park, from the committee of conference on the matters of difference between the two branches on a Bill in relation to safe deposit, loan and trust companies, that the House should concur in the Senate amendments. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Wyman, and sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the "Resolve providing for a new school building and for repairing and enlarging Crocker Hall at the State Normal School at Framingham" ought to pass in a new draft, with the title, "Resolve providing for repairing and enlarging Crocker Hall and certain other repairs at the State Normal School at Framingham." Read and ordered to a second reading.

State Normal
School at
Framingham.

By Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Bill to provide for printing and distributing ballots at the public expense, and to regulate voting at State and city elections, ought to pass. Placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon for a second reading.

Australian sys-
tem of voting.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills:

Providing for the inspection in certain cases of buildings and other structures alleged to be unsafe or dangerous; and

To supply the town of Ashburnham with pure water;
(Which severally originated in the House);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed Resolves to provide for the better protection against fire of the Reformatory Prison for Women, and to repeal chapter 92 of the Resolves of the year 1887 (which originated in the House), were passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolves
passed.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on Water Supply, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the Athol Water Company for an act to authorize the town of Athol to purchase its property and to raise money to pay for the same, was accepted, in concurrence.

Orders of the
Day.

Bills :

To authorize the city council of the city of Malden to divide said city into seven wards and to confirm the election of aldermen and councilmen in said city ;

To revive chapter 127 of the Acts of the year 1886, entitled " An act to incorporate the Plainville Water Company " ; and the

Resolve authorizing the Governor and Council to devise and report a plan for the better accommodation for the State government in the city of Boston ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to amend section 30 of chapter 154 of the Public Statutes relating to processes issuing from police and district courts was read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Street Railways, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Thomas J. Mayall for authority to construct an elevated railroad in Boston, was further considered. The pending amendments, moved by Mr. Colby of Boston, were withdrawn by that gentleman, there being no objection. Mr. Colby moved to amend by the substitution of a " Bill to incorporate the Mayall Elevated Railway Company," which was adopted by a vote of 72 to 36, and the bill, having been read, was placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon for a second reading.

The Bill to supply the town of Winchendon with water was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. After debate, amendments, moved by Mr. Perkins of Winchendon, were adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill for the relief of persons who served in the army or navy of the United States during the rebellion, and their dependent families, was read a third time and considered. Pending the amendment recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading, and pending amendments moved by Messrs. Bartlett of Montague, Haggerty of Southbridge and Kimball of Fitchburg, it was, on motion of Mr. Wharton of Boston, postponed for further consideration until this afternoon.

The Bill to revise the charter of the city of Lawrence was read a third time and considered, and, after debate, was passed to be engrossed by a vote of 99 to 56, and sent up for concurrence.

At thirteen minutes before one o'clock adjourned until fifteen minutes past two o'clock P.M., the rule relative to adjournment and hour of meeting having been suspended by unanimous consent:

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. Towne of Lynn, was laid over until to-morrow at the request of Mr. McDonough of Boston:—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns this afternoon it be to meet this evening at half-past seven o'clock. Evening session.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on Insurance, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to giving beneficiary and other corporations organized under chapter 115 of the Public Statutes greater powers than they now have, especially in regard to paying benefits to members (Messrs. Church of Cambridge and Clark of Natick, of the House, dissenting), accepted by the Senate, was read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow. Beneficiary corporations.

A report of the committee on Prisons, no further legislation necessary, on the seventeenth annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Flynn of Boston. Report of the Commissioners of Prisons.

Bills:

To incorporate the Nasketucket Cemetery Association of Fairhaven (reported on a petition); Nasketucket Cemetery Association.

To amend the certificate of incorporation of the Order of the Iron Hall (substituted in the Senate for the report of the committee on Insurance, leave to withdraw); Iron Hall.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and ordered to a second reading.

East Middlesex
Street Railway
Company.

A Bill to authorize the East Middlesex Street Railway Company to further extend its tracks in the city of Chelsea (reported on a petition), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading. On motion of Mr. Miller of Chelsea, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Town of Had-
ley, — Connecti-
cut River.

A Resolve for the protection of the town of Hadley against the further encroachments of the Connecticut River upon said town (reported upon a communication from the Board of Harbor and Land Commissioners), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading. On motion of Mr. Bottum of Northampton, the rules were suspended and the resolve was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Salary of the
Auditor.

A Bill to establish the salary of the Auditor of the Commonwealth (substituted in the Senate for a report of the committee on Public Service, reference to the next General Court); and

John Turk.

A Resolve in favor of John Turk (reported on a petition);

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

State Normal
School at
Bridgewater.

The House Resolve providing for new steam boilers at the State Normal School at Bridgewater came down from the Senate concurred in the suspension of the 11th and 12th Joint Rules.

Apples, beans
and peas.

A report of the committee of conference on the matters of difference between the two branches on the Bill to regulate the sale of apples, beans and peas, that the bill should be amended as follows: In line 6, section 1, insert the word "cider" before the word "apples"; in line 8, section 2, insert after the word "apples" the words "when sold for the purpose of making cider"; in the title, insert before the word "apples" the word "cider," accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Brigham of Marlborough.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Robinson of Southborough, from the committee on Public Charitable Institutions, no further legislation necessary, on the fortieth annual report of the trustees of the Massachusetts School for the Feeble-Minded. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Warden of Waltham, and sent up for concurrence.

Massachusetts
School for the
Feeble-Minded.

By Mr. Wilkinson of Cambridge, from the committee on Public Health, reference to the next General Court, on the report of the State Board of Health, for the reason that said report was received too late to give public hearings on important matters therein recommended. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Wilkinson of Cambridge, and sent up for concurrence.

Report of the
State Board of
Health.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Resolve (introduced on leave) providing for new steam boilers at the State Normal School at Bridgewater ought to pass. On motion of Mr. Ware, the rules were suspended, and the resolve was read a second and a third time and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

State Normal
School at
Bridgewater.

Bills Enacted.

Engrossed bills :

In relation to the labor of prisoners (which originated in the House) ; and

Bills enacted.

To authorize the trustees of Westfield Academy to expend the income of their funds in aid of the High School of the town of Westfield ;

In relation to the Bay State Gas Company ;

To provide for the further introduction and extension of a police signal system in the city of Boston ; and

To authorize the town of Wellesley to supply the town of Needham with water ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

The Bill authorizing the Gas Commissioners to license certain gas companies to make and sell water gas for illuminating purposes was put upon its final passage.

On the question of the enactment of the bill, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Hartwell of Ayer, and, the roll being called, the bill was passed to be enacted by a vote of 100 yeas to 83 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs.	Atherton, Horace H.	Messrs.	Hayes, Elihu B.
	Bartlett, Joseph F.		Hill, Luther
	Blake, Edwin H.		Hinchcliffe, William J.
	Boardman, Francis		Holbrook, John A.
	Bottum, John B.		Hooper, George M.
	Brigham, Arthur A.		Jaques, Alden P.
	Cannell, Joseph H.		Leary, Edward J.
	Carman, William A.		Lothrop, J. Q. A.
	Carney, Michael		Manning, Albert S.
	Champlin, Arthur B.		Martin, James P.
	Clark, David H.		McEnaney, Thomas O.
	Clark, Henry		Mellen, James H.
	Clark, Schuyler		Merrill, John F.
	Colby, John F.		Milliken, Daniel L.
	Conant, Charles W.		Monahan, William H.
	Conroy, James		Morton, Harrison E.
	Conwell, David		Nelson, Sidney T.
	Coolidge, George H.		Noonan, Thomas L.
	Cronin, James M.		O'Brien, Dennis J.
	Crowell, Joshua		O'Mealey, John W.
	Dame, Luther		O'Neill, Thomas F.
	Davis, Edmund A.		Pinkerton, Alfred S.
	Desmond, Jeremiah		Plaisted, John W.
	Dewey, Wilson		Poore, William H.
	Donovan, Edward J.		Pratt, Harvey H.
	Donovan, James		Quincy, Josiah
	Dresser, Theodore P.		Quinn, Andrew
	Driscoll, John		Quinn, Dennis J.
	Dunlea, James J.		Quinn, Philip H.
	Eldridge, Albert R.		Raymond, Francis H.
	Floyd, David, 2d		Raymond, Samuel M.
	Flynn, Edward J.		Riddell, Henry
	Flynn, Thomas J.		Rogers, Joseph W.
	Garity, Michael		Rogerson, William B.
	Gibson, George W.		Rounsevell, Arthur G.
	Gile, William A.		Rugg, Charles P.
	Gray, Davis P.		Russell, Alvin D.
	Greenwood, Morrill A.		Simonds, S. Dwight
	Griswold, Freeman C.		Slocum, George W.
	Grosvenor, Charles F.		Smith, Sidney P.
	Hagerty, David J.		Stimpson, Daniel P.
	Hastings, William H.		Story, Cyrus

Messrs. Sullivan, Thomas F.	Messrs. Wadlin, Horace G.
Symonds, Charles H.	Wales, Abijah T.
Thayer, Rufus A.	Wardwell, J. Otis
Thompson, A. Cranston	Wharton, William F.
Towne, Joseph L.	Wilde, William A.
Turner, Henry A.	Willis, Rufus H.
Upham, Samuel O.	Woods, Frank F.
Vanderhoop, Edwin D.	Woodward, Charles F.

NAYS.

Messrs. Adams, Charles E.	Messrs. Keane, Jeremiah J.
Allen, John J.	Kearn, George H.
Armstrong, William O.	Kendall, Horace M.
Atwood, Harrison H.	Kimball, Henry A.
Babbitt, Rollin H.	Kimball, John W.
Backup, John	Lovell, Clarence P.
Bennett, Charles H.	Lyman, Payson W.
Brackett, Albert A.	McCarthy, Patrick
Brady, Peter J.	McDonald, Robert H.
Breed, Arthur B.	McDonough, John H.
Brewer, Edward W.	McEttrick, Michael J.
Brooks, A. Olin	Miller, Lyman M.
Brown, John F.	Morey, George F.
Call, Charles A.	Morin, John M.
Carey, William H.	Norwood, Caleb J.
Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.	O'Neil, John W.
Close, George	Parkman, Henry
Coveney, John W.	Peirson, Henry M.
Dexter, Solomon K.	Perkins, Nathaniel R.
Doherty, John	Pierce, Charles Q.
Dolan, Bernard	Provin, William
Fales, Frank A.	Read, John
Farren, Thomas G.	Robinson, Ethan C.
Ferry, William F.	Robinson, J. Henry
Finney, Elkanah	Russell, Irving L.
Fisk, Edward P.	Sanger, Chester F.
Fottler, Jacob	Seavey, Charles W.
Frost, Henry	Shepard, Charles F.
Gleason, Joseph H.	Slocum, Winfield S.
Gleason, Willard F.	Sohier, William D.
Gracey, Samuel L.	Southwick, Benjamin F.
Gunn, Daniel	Stowe, Elijah B.
Haggerty, Charles	Taft, Robert L.
Hall, Frederick S.	Temple, Albert H.
Hartwell, Benjamin H.	Thompson, Albert G.
Haskell, Henry C.	Tompkins, Isaac B.
Hatch, Franklin W.	Warden, Erskine
Hitchcock, Calvin	Waters, Franklin L.
Holman, Frank E.	White, William L., Jr.

Messrs. Wiley, Albert L.
 Wilkinson, John W.
 Winchester, Reuben

Messrs. Wright, Arthur
 Wyman, Ferdinand A.

Yeas, 100 ; nays, 83.

On this question, Messrs. Shaw of Newburyport. Whitcher of Stoneham, Tyler of Middleton, Bixby of Brockton, Carroll of Worcester, Gagan of Boston, Fisher of Grafton and Kennedy of Boston, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired, respectively, with Messrs. Preble of Boston, McCall of Winchester, Dennis of Gloucester, Sullivan of Lawrence, Lyons of North Adams, Hayes of Boston, Ware of Boston and Lally of Milford.

The bill was signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders.

Support of
 pauper inmates
 of State hos-
 pitals.

On motion of Mr. Warden of Waltham, the Bill concerning the price for the support of pauper inmates of State hospitals was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and, after debate, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Orders of the Day.

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The report of the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending the lien law so as to provide protection to persons furnishing material for building purposes, was accepted.

The report of the committee on Water Supply, reference to the next General Court, on the petition of the town of Athol for authority to take water from Phillipston pond in the town of Phillipston, was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the Hartford and Connecticut Western Railroad Company to extend its road ;

To regulate the holding of caucuses or public meetings of the qualified voters of cities and towns for political purposes ; and

To incorporate the Mayall Elevated Railway Company ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

In relation to ways of egress and means of escape from fire in certain buildings (amended on motion of Mr. Quincy of Quincy) ; and

To change the name of the Dakota Mortgage Loan Corporation and to grant it additional powers ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Bills :

To authorize the city council of the city of Malden to divide said city into seven wards and to confirm the election of aldermen and councilmen in said city ;

To revive chapter 127 of the Acts of the year 1886, entitled, " An Act to incorporate the Plainville Water Company " ; and the

Resolve authorizing the Governor and Council to devise and report a plan for the better accommodation for the State government in the city of Boston ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill for the relief of persons who served in the army or navy of the United States during the rebellion, and their dependant families, was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. The pending amendment moved by Mr. Kimball of Fitchburg was withdrawn by that gentleman, there being no objection. The pending amendment recommended by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading was adopted. The pending amendments moved by Messrs. Haggerty of Southbridge and Bartlett of Montague were adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to incorporate the Boston and Suburban Elevated Railway Company was read a third time and considered. Amendments moved by Messrs. Wharton of Boston and Parkman of Boston were adopted, and, after debate, the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Railroads, leave to withdraw, on the petition of the mayor of Cambridge for such legislation as will remedy the nuisance now existing by reason of the tracks of the Boston and Albany Railroad crossing the streets of said city at grade, was further con-

sidered. Mr. Sanger of Cambridge moved to amend by the substitution of a "Bill to prohibit the obstruction of the streets of the city of Cambridge by the Boston and Albany Railroad Company." Mr. Raymond of Somerville moved to amend the substitute bill by adding in section 1, after the word "Cambridge," the words "or Somerville." Mr. Collison of Boston raised the point of order that the amendment was not in order, as it would make the bill broader in its scope than the petition referred to the committee. The Speaker ruled the point well taken, and the amendment was ruled out. After debate, the substitute bill was rejected, and the report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The Resolve in favor of the House of the Good Shepherd was considered, the question being on its rejection, as recommended by the committee on Finance. After debate, the resolve was rejected, as recommended by the committee, by a vote of 58 to 51.

At twenty-seven minutes past five o'clock, adjourned.

THURSDAY, May 24, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Motion to Reconsider.

Mr. Flynn of Boston moved to reconsider the vote whereby the House, yesterday, rejected the Resolve in favor of the House of the Good Shepherd. After debate, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. McDonough of Boston; and, the roll being called, the motion was lost by a vote of 64 yeas to 119 nays, as follows:—

House of the
Good Shepherd
in Boston.

YEAS.

Messrs. Allen, Montessor T.	Messrs. Haggerty, Charles
Bartlett, Joseph F.	Hayes, Elihu B.
Brckett, Albert A.	Hill, Luther
Burnham, William Howe	Keane, Jeremiah J.
Carey, William H.	Kendall, Horace M.
Carman, William A.	Kennedy, Patrick J.
Carney, Michael	Lally, James, Jr.
Clark, David H.	Leary, Edward J.
Collison, Harvey N.	Lyons, Henry S.
Conroy, James,	McCooley, Thomas
Coveney, John W.	McDonald, Robert H.
Cronin, James M.	McDonough, John H.
Delano, John W.	McEnaney, Thomas O.
Desmond, Jeremiah	McEttrick, Michael J.
Doherty, John	Mellen, James H.
Dolan, Bernard	Monahan, William H.
Donovan, James	O'Brien, Dennis J.
Driscoll, John	O'Mealey, John W.
Dunlea, James J.	O'Neil, John W.
Farren, Thomas G.	O'Neill, Thomas F.
Finney, Elkanah	Perkins, Nathaniel R.
Flynn, Edward J.	Pratt, Harvey H.
Flynn, Thomas J.	Provin, William
Gagan, Edward	Quinn, Andrew
Garity, Michael	Quinn, Dennis J.
Gibson, George W.	Quinn, Philip H.
Gile, William A.	Raymond, Samuel M.
Gordon, William, Jr.	Rugg, Charles P.
Griswold, Freeman C.	Shepard, Charles F.
Hagerty, David J.	Spring, Charles E.

Messrs. Taft, Robert L.
Tompkins, Isaac B.

Messrs. Towne, Joseph L.
Woods, Frank F.

NATS.

Messrs. Adams, Charles E.
Allen, John J.
Armstrong, William O.
Atherton, Horace H.
Babbitt, Rollin H.
Backup, John
Barrett, William E.
Bennett, Charles H.
Berry, Francis T.
Bixby, Charles C.
Blake, Edwin H.
Blume, Andreas
Brewer, Edward W.
Brigham, Arthur A.
Brown, John F.
Butler, William A.
Call, Charles A.
Cannell, Joseph H.
Carpenter, George N.
Champlin, Arthur B.
Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.
Church, Moses D.
Clark, Henry
Clark, Schuyler
Conant, Charles W.
Conwell, David,
Coolidge, George H.
Cutler, Samuel
Dame, Luther
Davis, Edmund A.
Dewey, Wilson
Dexter, Solomon K.
Dresser, Theodore P.
Eames, Harry M.
Eldridge, Albert R.
Fales, Frank A.
Fisher, Albert L.
Fisk, Edward P.
Floyd, David, 2d.
Fottler, Jacob
Gleason, Willard F.
Goss, Charles
Gray, Davis P.
Grosvenor, Charles F.

Messrs. Gunn, Daniel
Hartwell, Benjamin H.
Haskell, Henry C.
Hatch, Franklin W.
Hathaway, James A.
Haynes, Henry D.
Henry, Robert
Hinchcliffe, William J.
Hixon, William S.
Holbrook, John A.
Holman, Frank E.
Jaques, Alden P.
Kearn, George H.
Kimball, John W.
Lothrop, J. Q. A.
Lovell, Clarence P.
Lyman, Payson W.
Manning, Albert S.
Manning, David, Jr.
Martin, James P.
Merrill, John F.
Miller, Albert E.
Miller, Lyman M.
Milliken, Daniel L.
Morey, George F.
Morin, John M.
Nelson, Sidney T.
Parkman, Henry
Pear, Isaac S.
Peirson, Henry M.
Perry, George R.
Pierce, Charles Q.
Plaisted, John W.
Poore, William H.
Quincy, Josiah
Raymond, Francis H.
Read, John
Richards, James H.
Robinson, Ethan C.
Rogers, Joseph W.
Rogers, Samuel N.
Rogerson, William B.
Russell, Alvin D.
Sanford, Alpheus

Messrs. Seavey, Charles W.	Messrs. Vanderhoop, Edwin D.
Simonds, S. Dwight	Wadlin, Horace G.
Slocum, George W.	Wales, Abijah T.
Slocum, Winfield S.	Walworth, Arthur C.
Smith, Sidney P.	Wardwell, J. Otis
Sohier, William D.	Ware, M. Everett
Southwick, Benjamin F.	Wharton, William F.
Stimpson, Daniel P.	Whitcher, James E.
Story, Cyrus	White, William L., Jr.
Stowe, Elijah B.	Wilde, William A.
Temple, Albert H.	Wilkinson, John W.
Thompson, A. Cranston	Willis, Rufus H.
Trull, George W.	Witt, Charles T.
Turner, Henry A.	Wright, Arthur
Tyler, Ansel P.	Wyman, Ferdinand A.
Upham, Samuel O.	

Yeas, 64; nays, 119.

On this question, Messrs. Carroll of Worcester, McCarthy of Brockton, Brady of Lowell, Ferry of Springfield, Calnan of Boston, Robinson of Southborough and Hayes of Boston, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired, respectively, with Messrs. Waters of Orange, McCall of Winchester, Crowell of Dennis, Frost of Boston, Riddell of Nantucket, Greenwood of Leominster and Close of Cambridge.

Order.

The order, laid over from yesterday, relative to providing that when the House adjourn this afternoon it be to meet this evening at half-past seven o'clock, was, on motion of Mr. Fisk of Boston, postponed for further consideration until the afternoon, to be placed first in the orders of the day.

Evening session.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Parkman of Boston, the Bill to provide for a new division of wards in cities was taken from the table. Pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, referred to the joint committee on the Judiciary and sent up for concurrence.

Division of wards in cities.

On motion of Mr. Wharton of Boston, the Bill to amend chapter 285 of the Acts of the year 1887, relative to the erection of a court house in the city of Fall River,

Fall River court house.

Ruling by the
Speaker.

was taken from the table. On the point of order raised by Mr. Tompkins of New Bedford, that the bill is improperly before the House, because by operation of the order adopted in concurrence instructing joint committees to report reference to the next General Court on all matters remaining in their hands at the close of the session of Friday, the twenty-seventh of April, the bill referred to being then before the joint committee on the Judiciary for their consideration, report thereon should have been in accordance with such order. The Chair ruled that the point was well taken, stating that while he regretted the necessity of ruling out a measure upon such a ground, he could not feel justified in ruling that a joint order of the two branches, which directed committees to report in a given manner upon subjects before them, could be disregarded by committees. On further motion of Mr. Wharton, the bill was recommitted to the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Appointment of
special guar-
dians in certain
cases.

On motion of Mr. Collison of Boston, the report of the committee on Probate and Insolvency, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the appointment of special guardians in certain cases, was taken from the table and was accepted.

Reports of Committees.

Foreign
corporations.

By Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to such legislation as will more effectively control and regulate the conduct and business of foreign corporations having a usual place of business within this Commonwealth.

Fall River
court house.

By Mr. Wharton of Boston, from the joint committee on the Judiciary, reference to the next General Court, on the Bill (recommitted) to amend chapter 285 of the Acts of the year 1887, relative to the erection of a court house in the city of Fall River.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon.

Truant schools.

By Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Bill (introduced on leave) to authorize the establishment of truant schools should be referred to the next General Court, for the reason that the construction of the present statute relating to the

same subject is now pending in the Supreme Judicial Court. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Collison of Boston.

By Mr. Riddell of Nantucket, from the committee on Military Affairs, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending chapter 30 of the Public Statutes so as to provide for the payment of State aid to widows and minor children of soldiers. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Riddell, and sent up for concurrence.

State aid to widows and minor children of soldiers.

By Mr. Atherton of Saugus, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Middlesex Safe Deposit and Trust Company.

Middlesex Safe Deposit and Trust Company.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Mercantile Loan and Trust Company.

Mercantile Loan and Trust Company.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Chelsea Safe Deposit and Trust Company.

Chelsea Safe Deposit and Trust Company.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Wadlin of Reading, the Bill to authorize the Hartford and Connecticut Western Railroad Company to extend its road was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, and, pending the question on engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until the afternoon, to be placed second in the orders of the day.

Hartford and Connecticut Western Railroad Company.

Bills Enacted and Resolve Passed.

Engrossed bills :

To supply the town of Millbury with water ;

Bills enacted.

Providing for special judgments in certain cases where bonds are given to dissolve attachments or to prosecute reviews ; and

In relation to safe deposit, loan and trust companies ; (Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To authorize the city council of the city of Malden to divide said city into seven wards, and to confirm the election of aldermen and councilmen in said city ; and

**Relating to fraternal beneficiary organizations ;
(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;
Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent
to the Senate.**

Resolve passed. An engrossed Resolve in favor of the Hospital Cottages for Children (which originated in the House) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

**Orders of the
Day.**

The report of the committee on Insurance, *inexpedient* to legislate, on an order relative to giving beneficiary and other corporations organized under chapter 115 of the Public Statutes greater powers than they now have, especially in regard to paying benefits to members, was accepted, in concurrence.

Bills :

To incorporate the Nasketucket Cemetery Association of Fairhaven ; and

To amend the certificate of incorporation of the Order of the Iron Hall ;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Resolve providing for an investigation into the subject of the abolition of grade crossings on railroads was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Mr Wyman of Hyde Park moved to amend by the substitution of a " Resolve for the appointment of a commission to consider the subject of the abolition of grade crossings on railroads." After debate, the substitute resolve was rejected by a vote of 62 to 73, and the resolve was ordered to a third reading.

The Resolve relative to the safety of railroad employees was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Mr. Pratt of Abington moved to amend by the substitution of a " Bill relating to danger signals upon railroads," pending which, and pending the main question on ordering the resolve to a third reading, the House,

At fifteen minutes before one o'clock, adjourned until fifteen minutes past two o'clock P.M., the rule relative to hour of meeting having been suspended by unanimous consent.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Dame of Newbury : —

Ordered, That the committee on Pay-Roll make up the pay-roll for the compensation of members for attendance during the present session of the Legislature ; also the travel, to be computed according to the table of distance established by order of the House of Representatives, adopted Feb. 4, 1869 ; and that the pay of Davis P. Gray of Northbridge be made up as for the full session.

Pay-roll of members.

Leave Asked to Introduce a Bill.

Mr. Dexter of Lowell asked leave to introduce a Bill to permit railroad or street railway companies to use the Meigs system of elevated railways. The bill was read, and the request to introduce the bill was, at the request of Mr. Symonds of Salem, laid over until to-morrow.

Meigs system of elevated railways.

Papers from the Senate.

A Resolve providing for a further investigation of the subject of heating and lighting passenger, mail and baggage cars (reported on a special report to the Legislature of the Board of Railroad Commissioners on the subject of heating and lighting passenger cars), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Heating and lighting passenger, mail and baggage cars.

A Bill (introduced on leave in the Senate) to provide for aiding discharged female prisoners was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Prisons, under a suspension of the 12th Joint Rule.

Discharged female prisoners.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of House Bill to incorporate the Boston and Suburban Elevated Railway Company.

Boston and Suburban Elevated Railway Company.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, from the committee on Finance, on the report of the Auditor of Accounts relative to expenses incurred in advertising committee hearings, a Bill authorizing the Auditor of the Commonwealth to employ an additional clerk. Read and ordered to a second reading.

Additional clerk for the Auditor.

John Turk.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Resolve in favor of John Turk ought to pass. On motion of Mr. Ware, the rules were suspended, and the resolve was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Salary of the Auditor.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Bill to establish the salary of the Auditor of the Commonwealth ought to pass.

City of Worcester, —street over land of the Commonwealth.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, that the Bill to authorize the city of Worcester to lay out a street over land of the Commonwealth at Worcester ought to pass with an amendment.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow for a second reading.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Bills enacted.

Engrossed bills :

To change the name of the Dakota Mortgage Loan Corporation, and to grant it additional powers ; and

To supply the town of Maynard with water ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To revive chapter 127 of the Acts of the year 1886, entitled “ An Act to incorporate the Plainville Water Company ” ; and

To authorize the East Middlesex Street Railway Company to further extend its tracks in the city of Chelsea ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolves passed.

Engrossed resolves :

Providing for new steam boilers at the State Normal School at Bridgewater (which originated in the House) ; and

Authorizing the Governor and Council to devise and report a plan for the better accommodation for the State government in the city of Boston (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Orders of the Day.

The Resolve relative to the safety of railroad employees was further considered, the question being on ordering to a third reading. After debate, the bill moved as a substi-

tute by Mr. Pratt of Abington was rejected by a vote of 56 to 104, and the resolve was ordered to a third reading.

The report of the committee of the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, an an order relating to such legislation as will more effectively control and regulate the conduct and business of foreign corporations having a usual place of business within this Commonwealth, was accepted.

The Bill to incorporate the Nasketucket Cemetery Association of Fairhaven was read a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The order relative to providing that when the House adjourn this afternoon it be to meet this evening at half-past seven o'clock, was rejected.

The Bill to authorize the Hartford and Connecticut Western Railroad Company to extend its road was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. After debate, the yeas and nays were ordered on this question, at the request of Mr. Wadlin of Reading, and, the roll being called, the bill was rejected by a vote of 70 yeas to 85 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, Charles E.
Bartlett, Joseph F.
Bennett, Charles H.
Brooks, A. Olin
Brown, John F.
Call, Charles A.
Carpenter, George N.
Church, Moses D.
Clark, Henry
Close, George
Colby, John F.
Coolidge, George H.
Cutler, Samuel
Desmond, Jeremiah
Dexter, Solomon K.
Donovan, James
Dresser, Theodore P.
Eldridge, Albert R.
Fales, Frank A.
Ferry, William F.
Fisk, Edward P.
Floyd, David, 2d

Messrs. Gagan, Edward
Gile, William A.
Gleason, Joseph H.
Gordon, William, Jr.
Grosvenor, Charles F.
Gunn, Daniel
Hall, Frederick S.
Hartwell, Benjamin H.
Haskell, Henry C.
Hatch, Franklin W.
Hathaway, James A.
Hinchcliffe, William J.
Hixon, William S.
Holman, Frank E.
Hooper, George M.
Jaques, Alden P.
Keane, Jeremiah J.
Kendall, Horace M.
Leach, William T.
Lovell, Clarence P.
Miller, Lyman M.
Pinkerton, Alfred S.

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Messrs. Quinn, Philip H.

Raymond, Francis H.

Riddell, Henry

Robinson, Ethan C.

Rogers, Joseph W.

Rogerson, William B.

Rounsevell, Arthur G.

Rugg, Charles P.

Sanford, Alpheus

Seavey, Charles W.

Simonds, S. Dwight

Slocum, George W.

Smith, Sidney P.

Messrs. Story, Cyrus

Temple, Albert H.

Tompkins, Isaac B.

Trull, George W.

Upham, Samuel O.

Wadlin, Horace G.

Wales, Abijah T.

Walworth, Arthur C.

Ware, M. Everett

Wharton, William F.

Winchester, Reuben

Woodward, Charles F.

Wyman, Ferdinand A.

NAYS.

Messrs. Armstrong, William O.

Atwood, Harrison H.

Backup, John

Boardman, Francis

Bottum, John B.

Breed, Arthur B.

Brigham, Arthur A.

Burnham, William Howe

Butler, William A.

Calnan, Patrick J.

Cannell, Joseph H.

Carey, William H.

Carman, William A.

Carney, Michael

Clark, Schuyler

Collison, Harvey N.

Conroy, James

Conwell, David

Coveney, John W.

Dame, Albert L.

Doherty, John

Dolan, Bernard

Donovan, Edward J.

Dunlea, James J.

Eames, Harry M.

Finney, Elkanah

Flynn, Thomas J.

Fottler, Jacob

Garity, Michael

Greenwood, Morrill A.

Griswold, Freeman C.

Hagerty, David J.

Haggerty, Charles

Hastings, William H.

Messrs. Haynes, Henry D.

Henry, Robert

Hill, Luther

Hitchcock, Calvin

Kearn, George H.

Kennedy, Patrick J.

Lyman, Payson W.

Lyons, Henry S.

Manning, Albert S.

Martin, James P.

McCarthy, Patrick

McCooley, Thomas

McDonald, Robert H.

McDonough, John H.

McEttrick, Michael J.

Miller, Albert E.

Milliken, Daniel L.

Morin, John M.

Norwood, Caleb J.

O'Neil, John W.

O'Neill, Thomas F.

Parkman, Henry

Pear, Isaac S.

Peirson, Henry M.

Perry, George R.

Pierce, Charles Q.

Plaisted, John W.

Preble, William H.

Provin, William

Quincy, Josiah

Quinn, Andrew

Quinn, Dennis J.

Raymond, Samuel M.

Russell, Alvin D.

Messrs. Sanger, Chester F.
 Shepard, Charles F.
 Slocum, Winfield S.
 Sohler, William D.
 Stimpson, Daniel P.
 Sullivan, Michael F.
 Taft, Robert L.
 Thayer, Rufus A.
 Thompson, A. Cranston

Messrs. Turner, Henry A.
 Tyler, Ansel P.
 Waters, Franklin L.
 Whitcher, James E.
 Wiley, Albert L.
 Wilkinson, John W.
 Witt, Charles T.
 Wright, Arthur

Yeas, 70 ; Nays, 85.

On this question, Messrs. Dewey of Williamsburg, Wilde of Malden, Stowe of Bellingham, Allen of Woburn, Kimball of Fitchburg, Brewer of Boston, Symonds of Salem, Southwick of Peabody, Robinson of Southborough, Vanderhoop of Gay Head, Frost of Boston, Blake of Bedford, Brackett of Milton, Hayes of Lynn, Warden of Waltham, Hayes of Boston, McEnaney of Boston, Gibson of Chicopee, Conant of Gardner, Clark of Natick, Monahan of Boston, Manning of Worcester, Wardwell of Haverhill, Willis of New Bedford, White of Taunton, Atherton of Saugus, Gray of Northbridge, Lally of Milford and Blume of Boston, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired, respectively, with Messrs. Lothrop of Cohasset, O'Brien of Hopkinton, Allen of Auburn, Shaw of Newburyport, Dame of Newbury, Dennis of Gloucester, Davis of Somerset, Merrill of Quincy, Qua of Lowell, Nelson of Lakeville, Perkins of Winchendon, Knox of Chester, Morton of West Boylston, Driscoll of Lynn, Holbrook of Weymouth, Towne of Lynn, Carroll of Worcester, Winthrop of Stockbridge, Poore of Bradford, Spring of Holliston, Brady of Lowell, Champlin of Chelsea, Cheney of Worcester, Fisher of Grafton, Sullivan of Boston, Gleason of Holbrook, Pratt of Abington, Leary of Boston and Cronin of Worcester.

At five o'clock, adjourned.

FRIDAY, May 25, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Mr. Dowse, Chaplain of the Senate.

*Introduced on Leave.*Meigs system of
elevated
railways.

The request of Mr. Dexter of Lowell, to introduce the Bill to permit railroad or street railway companies to use the Meigs system of elevated railways, laid over from yesterday, was considered and was granted, and the bill was referred, under the 12th Joint Rule, to the next General Court.

*Orders.*Evening
session.

The following order, offered by Mr. Fisk of Boston, was laid over, at the request of Mr. Parkman of Boston:

Ordered, That when the House adjourns this afternoon it be to meet this evening at half-past seven o'clock.

Limit of debate.

The following order, offered by Mr. Symonds of Salem, was laid over at the request of Mr. Atwood of Boston:—

Ordered, That in debate of all matters coming before the House, speeches shall be limited to five minutes each. This rule shall not be suspended except by a majority of the members present. If the rule is suspended it shall entitle the member speaking to an additional five minutes, and no more, without the unanimous consent of the members present.

*Papers from the Senate.*Procedure in
poor debtor
matters.

A Bill relating to the procedure in poor debtor matters (being a new draft of a House bill with the same title), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading.

Centennial
celebration of
the settlement
of Ohio.

A Resolve in addition to a Resolve relative to the centennial celebration of the settlement of Ohio and the establishment of civil government in the "Northwest Territory" (introduced on leave in the Senate), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and referred, under the rule, to the committee on Finance.

Pauper inmates
of State
hospitals.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection, by that branch, of the Bill concerning the price for the support of pauper inmates of State hospitals.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Wharton of Boston, from the committee on the **Judiciary**, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the regulation of equity procedure to reach assets of a creditor by the appointment of a receiver.

Equity
procedure.

By Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the recovery of damages by the executor or administrator of a deceased person whose death was caused by reason of negligence or carelessness of another.

Executors and
administrators,
—recovery of
damages for
death caused by
negligence or
carelessness of
another.

Severally read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Wharton of Boston.

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing a more private and humane method of capital punishment, and a petition in aid of the same.

Capital
punishment.

By Mr. Flynn of Boston, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to amending section 4 of chapter 266 of the Acts of 1882 relative to the authority of inspectors of public buildings.

Inspectors of
public
buildings.

Severally read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Collison of Boston.

By Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to the recovery of damages by widows and next of kin of persons not employees injured and dying instantaneously by reason of carelessness of third persons. Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Pinkerton.

Recovery of
damages by
widows and
next of kin of
persons not em-
ployees.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, from the committee on Finance, on all matters relating to the finances of the Commonwealth, a Bill to apportion and assess a State tax of two millions two hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

State tax.

By Mr. Atherton of Saugus, from the committee on Banks and Banking, on a petition, a Bill to incorporate the Union Loan and Trust Company.

Union Loan and
Trust Company.

Severally read and ordered to a second reading.

By Mr. Floyd of Winthrop, from the committee on Taxation, that the Bill (recommitted) to amend chapter 13 of the Public Statutes relating to the taxation of fire and marine insurance companies ought not to pass.

Taxation of fire
and marine
insurance
companies.

**Solemnization
of marriages.**

By Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, from the committee on the Judiciary, that the Senate Bill in relation to the solemnization of marriages ought not to pass.

Severally read and placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon, the question in each case being on the rejection of the bill.

*Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.***Bills enacted.****Engrossed bills :**

To amend section 30 of chapter 154 of the Public Statutes relating to processes issuing from police and district courts ; and

To regulate the sale of cider apples, beans and peas ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To incorporate the Milton Water Company ; and

To incorporate the Brush Hill Water Company ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

**Resolves
passed.****Engrossed resolves :**

For the protection of the town of Hadley against the further encroachments of the Connecticut River upon said town ; and

To confirm the acts done by Joseph Bennett as a justice of the peace ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

*Orders of the Day.***Orders of the
Day.**

The Bill to authorize municipal authorities to compel the laying of electrical wires underground was further considered, the question being on engrossment. On motion of Mr. Whitcher of Stoneham, it was voted that debate be closed at half-past twelve o'clock unless a vote should be sooner reached. Amendments moved by Mr. Atwood of Boston and Wharton of Boston were adopted. Mr. Raymond of Somerville moved to amend by the substitution of a " Bill to authorize municipal authorities to compel the laying of electrical wires underground and to build conduits," which, after debate, was rejected, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

At fifteen minutes before one o'clock, adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Orders.

The order offered by Mr. Fisk of Boston, and laid over Evening session. from the morning, relative to providing that when the House adjourns this afternoon it be to meet this evening at half-past seven o'clock, was withdrawn by that gentleman, there being no objection.

The order offered by Mr. Symonds of Salem, and laid Limit of debate. over from the morning, relative to limiting speeches on all matters coming before the House to five minutes each, was withdrawn by that gentleman, there being no objection.

On motion of Mr. Colby of Boston,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns this afternoon Hour of meeting. it be to meet on Monday morning next at eleven o'clock.

Resolution Presented.

Mr. Sohier of Beverly presented the following Resolution relative to the prorogation of the General Court:—

Resolved, That the joint resolution relative to proroga- Prorogation. tion on the twenty sixth day of May be and is hereby amended by striking out in the first line thereof the words "twenty-sixth," and inserting in place thereof the words "twenty-ninth."

Read and adopted and sent up for concurrence.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Wardwell of Haverhill, the report Insolvency. of the committee on Probate and Insolvency, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to legislation as to what shall constitute an act of insolvency by a corporation mentioned in section 127 of chapter 157 of the Public Statutes, was taken from the table. Pending the question on the acceptance of the report, Mr. Wardwell moved to amend by the substitution of a Bill in relation to insolvent corporations, which was read and substituted, and was placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

Paper from the Senate.

Safe deposit,
loan and trust
companies.

An engrossed Bill in relation to safe deposit, loan and trust companies, passed to be enacted by the House, came down from the Senate with the endorsement "Returned by the Governor to the Senate, at its request, enactment reconsidered, and amended, under a suspension of the rule, by striking out at 'B,' in section 13, the words 'or in the city of New York,' and inserting the same words at 'A,' in the same section." On motion of Mr. Floyd of Winthrop, the rules were suspended, and the vote whereby the bill was passed to be enacted was reconsidered, and the House concurred with the Senate in the amendment, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Reports of Committees.

Heating and
lighting passen-
ger, mail and
baggage cars.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Resolve providing for a further investigation of the subject of heating and lighting passenger, mail and baggage cars ought to pass.

Confirmation of
defective acts
or proceedings
of probate
courts.

By Mr. Sohier of Beverly, from the committee on Probate and Insolvency, that the Senate Bill in relation to the confirmation of defective acts or proceedings of probate courts, or of persons acting under appointment from probate courts, ought to pass.

Severally placed in the orders of the day for Monday for a second reading.

Centennial
celebration of
the settlement
of Ohio.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Resolve in addition to a resolve relative to the centennial celebration of the settlement of Ohio and the establishment of civil government in the "Northwest Territory" ought to pass. On motion of Mr. Ware of Boston, the rules were suspended, and the resolve was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Resolve Passed.

Resolve passed.

An engrossed Resolve in favor of John Turk (which originated in the Senate) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

The report of the committee on Finance, leave to withdraw, on the petition of Charles G. Stevens and Thomas Harrington for the payment to the Pegan or Dudley tribe of Indians of money due them, was accepted. Orders of the Day.

Bills:

To apportion and assess a State tax of two millions two hundred and fifty thousand dollars; and

Relating to the procedure in poor debtor matters;

Were severally read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to aid the small towns to provide themselves with school superintendents was read a second time and considered, and, after debate, was ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to establish a half-mill fund for the support of public schools, and to provide for the distribution thereof, was further considered, the question being on its reference to the next General Court, as recommended by the committee on Finance. Mr. Hartwell of Ayer moved to amend by the substitution of a "Resolve concerning the income of the Massachusetts School Fund." Pending this amendment, Mr. Atwood of Boston moved that the House adjourn. On this question, the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Sohier of Beverly, and, the roll being called, the motion was rejected by a vote of 33 yeas to 71 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Atwood, Harrison H.
Barrett, William E.
Boardman, Francis
Brooks, A. Olin
Cannell, Joseph H.
Church, Moses D.
Dolan, Bernard
Gracey, Samuel L.
Hall, Frederick S.
Hatch, Franklin W.
Hathaway, James A.
Holman, Frank E.
Jaques, Alden P.
Lothrop, J. Q. A.
Martin, James P.
Perkins, Nathaniel R.
Pratt, Harvey H.

Messrs. Riddell, Henry
Russell, Irving L.
Sanford, Alpheus
Sanger, Chester F.
Seavey, Charles W.
Slocum, Winfield S.
Sohier, William D.
Story, Cyrus
Thayer, Rufus A.
Turner, Henry A.
Wales, Abijah T.
Ware, M. Everett
White, William L., Jr.
Wilde, William A.
Wilkinson, John W.
Wright, Arthur

NAYS.

Messrs. Adams, Charles E.	Messrs. McCarthy, Patrick
Armstrong, William O.	McCooley, Thomas
Blume, Andreas	McDonough, John H.
Brewer, Edward W.	McEttrick, Michael J.
Brigham, Arthur A.	Miller, Lyman M.
Burnham, William Howe	Milliken, Daniel L.
Clark, David H.	Morton, Harrison E.
Close, George	Parkman, Henry
Colby, John F.	Pear, Isaac S.
Conant, Charles W.	Pierce, Charles Q.
Dame, Albert L.	Plaisted, John W.
Dennis, George	Quincy, Josiah
Donovan, Edward J.	Raymond, Samuel M.
Eames, Harry M.	Richards, James H.
Finney, Elkanah	Rogerson, William B.
Fisk, Edward P.	Rounsevell, Arthur G.
Floyd, David, 2d	Rugg, Charles P.
Flynn, Edward J.	Russell, Alvin D.
Fottler, Jacob	Smith, Sidney P.
Gleason, Joseph H.	Southwick, Benjamin F.
Gleason, Willard F.	Stimpson, Daniel P.
Greenwood, Morrill A.	Stowe, Elijah B.
Grosvenor, Charles F.	Taft, Robert L.
Gunn, Daniel	Thompson, A. Cranston
Haggerty, Charles	Tompkins, Isaac B.
Hartwell, Benjamin H.	Vanderhoop, Edwin D.
Hayes, Elihu B.	Wadlin, Horace G.
Henry, Robert	Wardwell, J. Otis
Hinchcliffe, William J.	Waters, Franklin L.
Hitchcock, Calvin	Wharton, William F.
Hooper, George M.	Whitcher, James E.
Kearn, George H.	Wiley, Albert L.
Kendall, Horace M.	Willis, Rufus H.
Leach, William T.	Witt, Charles T.
Lyman, Payson W.	Wyman, Ferdinand A.
Manning, Albert S.	

Yeas, 33 ; nays, 71.

Mr. Barrett of Melrose moved to substitute a Resolve to aid the support of common schools in the smaller towns of the Commonwealth. Pending the amendments, and pending the question on referring the bill to the next General Court, as recommended by the committee on Finance, the House,

At twenty-five minutes before five o'clock, adjourned.

MONDAY, May 28, 1888.

Met according to adjournment, at eleven o'clock A. M.

Prayer was offered by Mr. David Conwell of Provincetown, a member of the House.

Order.

The following order, offered by Mr. Sohier of Beverly, was, at his request, laid over until the afternoon : —

Ordered, That when the House adjourns this afternoon, it be to meet this evening at half-past seven o'clock. Evening session.

Papers from the Senate.

A Bill to provide for aiding discharged female prisoners (introduced on leave in the Senate), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Ware of Boston, was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence. Female prisoners.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of the House Bill providing for the final disposition of sums of moneys deposited or invested by order of probate courts. Final disposition of sums of moneys deposited or invested by order of probate courts.

Report of a Committee.

By Mr. Wharton of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, on an order, a Bill to amend section 27 of chapter 181 of the Public Statutes, relating to suits for redemption of mortgaged premises. Read, and ordered to a second reading. Redemption of mortgaged premises.

Bill Enacted.

An engrossed Bill in relation to safe deposit, loan and trust companies (which originated in the House), was passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate. Bill enacted.

Orders of the Day.

Bills :

In relation to insolvent corporations ; and

In relation to the confirmation of defective acts or pro-

Orders of the Day.

ceedings of probate courts, or of persons acting under appointment from probate courts ;

Were severally read a second time, and ordered to a third reading.

The Bill to apportion and assess a State tax of two million two hundred and fifty thousand dollars ; and the

Resolve relative to the safety of railroad employees ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill relating to the procedure in poor debtor matters was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill to establish a half-mill fund for the support of public schools, and to provide for the distribution thereof, was further considered, the question being on its reference to the next General Court, as recommended by the committee on Finance. On motion of Mr. Dresser of Medford, it was voted that debate be closed at half-past twelve o'clock, unless a vote should be sooner reached. The pending amendment moved by Mr. Barrett of Melrose was amended on motion of Mr. Sohier of Beverly. A motion of Mr. Fisk of Boston, that the amendment moved by Mr. Barrett be added to the amendment moved by Mr. Hartwell of Ayer, was adopted. The report of the committee on Finance, recommending the reference of the bill to the next General Court, was rejected by a vote of 59 to 104. The pending resolves, as amended, were substituted for the bill, and were placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon for a second reading.

At fifteen minutes before one o'clock, adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Order.

Evening session. The order, laid over from the morning, relative to providing that when the House adjourns this afternoon it be to meet this evening at half-past seven o'clock, was rejected by a vote of 52 to 72.

Taken from the Table.

On motion of Mr. Parkman of Boston, the report of the joint committee on the Judiciary, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's Address as relates to the courts, was taken from the table and was accepted, in concurrence.

Governor's Address, — courts.

On motions of the same gentleman, the following reports were severally taken from the table, and were placed in the orders of the day and postponed for further consideration until to-morrow : —

Report of the committee on Railroads, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's Address as relates to railroads ;

Governor's Address, — railroads.

Of the same committee, no further legislation necessary, on the annual report of the Railroad Commissioners ; and

Report of Railroad Commissioners.

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to such legislation as will enable railroad corporations to take or abolish any private way across railroad tracks or its lands used for railroad purposes.

Abolition of private ways across railroad tracks.

On motion of the same gentleman, the Bill to provide for taking the vote upon the question of granting liquor licenses in towns, and for taking such vote in cities in the year 1888, was taken from the table. Pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, placed in the orders of the day and postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

Use of the check-list in taking the vote on the question of granting liquor licenses.

On motion of the same gentleman, the Bill to authorize the towns of Athol, Spencer and Amesbury to license the manufacture and distribution of illuminating gas containing more than ten per cent. of carbonic oxide was taken from the table. Pending the question on engrossment, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, placed in the orders of the day and postponed for further consideration until to-morrow.

Athol, Spencer and Amesbury, — water gas.

Paper from the Senate.

The House Bill to provide for a new division of wards in cities came down with the endorsement that the Senate non-concurred in the reference to the joint committee on

Division of wards in cities.

the Judiciary. On motion of Mr. Parkman of Boston, the House receded, and the bill was ordered to a third reading.

Report of a Committee.

Massachusetts
State Firemen's
Association.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, from the committee on Finance, that the Senate Bill appropriating ten thousand dollars annually for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association ought not to pass (Messrs. Lovell of Boston, Wales of Attleborough and Allen of Woburn, dissenting). Read and placed in the orders of the day for to-morrow, the question being on the rejection of the bill.

Discharged from the Orders.

State Normal
School at
Frammingham.

On motion of Mr. Wadlin of Reading, the Resolve providing for repairing and enlarging Crocker Hall and certain other repairs at the State Normal School at Frammingham was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rules. It was read a second time, and, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, it was, on further motion of the same gentleman, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow morning, to be placed first in the orders of the day.

On motions of Mr. Parkman of Boston, the following bills were severally discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule : —

Mercantile Loan
and Trust Com-
pany.

To incorporate the Mercantile Loan and Trust Company ;

Middlesex Safe
Deposit and
Trust Company.

To incorporate the Middlesex Safe Deposit and Trust Company ;

Chelsea Safe
Deposit and
Trust Company.

To incorporate the Chelsea Safe Deposit and Trust Company ; and

Union Loan and
Trust Company.

To incorporate the Union Loan and Trust Company.

They were severally read a second and a third time, under a further suspension of the rules, moved by the same gentleman, and were passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Insolvent corpo-
rations.

On motion of the same gentleman, the Bill in relation to insolvent corporations was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

On motion of the same gentleman, the Bill in relation to the confirmation of defective acts or proceedings of probate courts, or of persons acting under appointment from probate courts, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Confirmation of defective acts or proceedings of probate courts.

On motion of the same gentleman, the Bill to amend section 27 of chapter 181 of the Public Statutes, relating to suits for redemption of mortgaged premises, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Suits for redemption of mortgaged premises.

On motion of the same gentleman, the Bill to incorporate Mayall Elevated Railway Company was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time, amended on motions of Mr. Colby of Boston, and, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Mayall Elevated Railway Company.

On motion of the same gentleman, the Bill in relation to the solemnization of marriages was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule, and was rejected, as recommended by the committee on the Judiciary, and notice was sent to the Senate.

Solemnization of marriages.

On motion of Mr. Wadlin of Reading, the Resolve providing for a further investigation of the subject of heating and lighting passenger, mail and baggage cars was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Heating and lighting passenger and baggage cars.

On motion of Mr. Mellen of Worcester, the Bill authorizing the Auditor of the Commonwealth to employ an additional clerk was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Additional clerk for the Auditor's Department.

On motion of Mr. Flynn of Boston, the Bill to establish the salary of the Auditor of the Commonwealth was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a second time, and, after debate, was refused a third reading by a vote of 65 to 85, and notice was sent to the Senate.

Salary of the Auditor of the Commonwealth.

*Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.***Engrossed bills :****Bills enacted.**

In relation to ways of egress and means of escape from fire in certain buildings ; and

To apportion and assess a State tax of two million two hundred and fifty thousand dollars ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

To incorporate the Nasketucket Cemetery Association of Fairhaven ; and

To provide for aiding discharged female prisoners ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed.

An engrossed Resolve in addition to a resolve relative to the centennial celebration of the settlement of Ohio, and the establishment of civil government in the North-west Territory (which originated in the Senate), was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

*Orders of the Day.***Orders of the Day.**

The Bill to provide for printing and distributing ballots at the public expense, and to regulate voting at State and city elections, was read a second time and considered. On motion of Mr. Dresser of Medford, it was voted that debate be closed at half-past four o'clock, unless a vote should be sooner reached. After debate, amendments moved by Messrs. Wyman of Hyde Park, Collison of Boston, Mellen of Worcester and Towne of Lynn were rejected. Amendments moved by Messrs. Quincy of Quincy and Collison of Boston were adopted.

Mr. E. J. Donovan of Boston moved that the bill be referred to the next General Court. On this question the yeas and nays were ordered, at the request of Mr. Parkman of Boston, and, the roll being called, the motion was lost by a vote of 41 yeas to 121 nays, as follows : —

YEAS.

Messrs. Atwood, Harrison H.	Messrs. Bottum, John B.
Bartlett, Joseph F.	Carey, William H.
Bennett, Charles H.	Carman, William A.
Bixby, Charles C.	Carney, Michael
Boardman, Francis	Collison, Harvey N.

Messrs.Conroy, James
Conwell, David
Coveney John W.
Desmond, Jeremiah
Doherty, John
Dolan, Bernard
Donovan, James
Dunlea, James J.
Eldridge, Albert R.
Farren, Thomas G.
Gagan, Edward
Greenwood, Morrill A.
Hastings, William H.
Kendall, Horace M.
Kennedy, Patrick J.
Kimball, Henry A.

Messrs.Leary, Edward J.
McCarthy, Patrick
McCoey, Thomas
McDonald, Robert H.
McEnaney, Thomas O.
O'Mealey, John W.
O'Neill, Thomas F.
Provin, William
Quinn, Andrew
Quinn, Dennis J.
Quinn, Philip H.
Thompson, A. Cranston
Wales, Abijah T.
Waters, Franklin L.
Winchester, Reuben

NAYS.

Messrs.Adams, Charles E.
Allen, Montessor T.
Armstrong, William O.
Atherton, Horace H.
Backup, John
Blake, Edwin H.
Breed, Arthur B.
Brigham, Arthur A.
Brown, John F.
Burnham, William Howe
Call, Charles A.
Cannell, Joseph H.
Carpenter, George N.
Champlin, Arthur B.
Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.
Church, Moses D.
Clark, David H.
Close, George
Colby, John F.
Conant, Charles W.
Coolidge, George H.
Crowell, Joshua
Cutler, Samuel
Dame, Albert L.
Dewey, Wilson
Dexter, Solomon K.
Driscoll, John
Fales, Frank A.
Ferry, William F.
Finney, Elkanah

Messrs.Fisk, Edward P.
Floyd, David, 2d.
Flynn, Edward J.
Flynn, Thomas J.
Frost, Henry
Garity, Michael
Gleason, Joseph H.
Gleason, Willard F.
Gordon, William, Jr.
Gracey, Samuel L.
Gray, Davis P.
Grosvenor, Charles F.
Gunn, Daniel
Hall, Frederick S.
Hayes, Elihu B.
Hayes, John E.
Haynes, Henry D.
Hill, Luther
Hinchcliffe, William J.
Hitchcock, Calvin
Hixon, William S.
Holman, Frank E.
Hooper, George M.
Jaques, Alden P.
Keane, Jeremiah J.
Kimball, John W.
Leach, William T.
Lothrop, J. Q. A.
Lyman, Payson W.
Lyons, Henry S.

Messrs. Manning, Albert S.	Messrs. Sanger, Chester F.
Martin, James P.	Shepard, Charles F.
McDonough, John H.	Slocum, George W.
Merrill, John F.	Slocum, Winfield S.
Miller, Albert E.	Smith, Sidney P.
Milliken, Daniel L.	Sohier, William D.
Monahan, William H.	Stimpson, Daniel P.
Morey, George F.	Story, Cyrus
Morton, Harrison E.	Stowe, Elijah B.
Noonan, Thomas L.	Taft, Robert L.
Norwood, Caleb J.	Temple, Albert H.
O'Neil, John W.	Thayer, Rufus A.
Parkman, Henry	Tompkins, Isaac B.
Pear, Isaac S.	Towne, Joseph L.
Peirson, Henry M.	Upham, Samuel O.
Perkins, Nathaniel R.	Vanderhoop, Edwin D.
Pierce, Charles Q.	Wadlin, Horace G.
Preble, William H.	Walworth, Arthur C.
Qua, Francis W.	Warden, Erskine
Quincy, Josiah	Ware, M. Everett
Raymond, Francis H.	Wharton, William F.
Read, John	Whitcher, James E.
Richards, James H.	White, William L., Jr.
Risteen, John C.	Wilde, William A.
Rogers, Joseph W.	Wiley, Albert L.
Rogerson, William B.	Wilkinson, John W.
Rounsevell, Arthur G.	Witt, Charles T.
Rugg, Charles P.	Woods, Frank F.
Russell, Alvin D.	Woodward, Charles F.
Russell, Irving L.	Wyman, Ferdinand A.
Sanford, Alpheus	

Yeas, 41 ; nays, 121.

On this question, Messrs. Dennis of Gloucester, Tyler of Middleton, Raymond of Hinsdale, E. J. Donovan of Boston, Thompson of Lowell, Sullivan of Lawrence, Winthrop of Stockbridge, Trull of Tewksbury, Calnan of Boston, Hatch of Marshfield, Clark of Huntington, Carroll of Worcester, Sullivan of Boston, Gibson of Chicopee, McEttrick of Boston, Cronin of Worcester and Lally of Milford, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, were paired, respectively, with Messrs. Brewer of Boston, Henry of Fall River, Davis of Somerset, Barrett of Melrose, McCall of Winchester, Delano of Marion, Brooks of Springfield, Poore of Bradford, Haggerty of Southbridge, Willis of New Bedford, Wardwell of Haverhill, Eames of Lawrence, Symonds of

Salem, Fisher of Grafton, Rogers of Millbury, Lovell of Boston and Miller of Chelsea.

'The bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading.'

At twenty minutes past five o'clock, the House adjourned until half-past seven o'clock, the House having previously voted, on motion of Mr. Wadlin of Reading, to hold an evening session at half-past seven o'clock.

EVENING SESSION.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Ware of Boston,

Ordered, That the committee on Finance report in an appropriation bill such amount as may be necessary for the payment of postage and expressage on documents forwarded to members and officers of the General Court, to be expended under the direction of the sergeant-at-arms.

Payment of postage and expressage on Public Documents.

Papers from the Senate.

A Bill to change the title of the law clerk of the Attorney-General and to prescribe his duties (introduced on leave in the Senate), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and, under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Hall of Taunton, was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Title of the law clerk of the Attorney General.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of the House Bill to authorize municipal authorities to compel the laying of electrical wires under ground.

Laying of electrical wires under ground.

Bill Enacted and Resolve Passed.

An engrossed Bill in relation to the confirmation of defective acts or proceedings of probate courts, or of persons acting under appointment from probate courts (which originated in the Senate), was passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Bill enacted.

An engrossed Resolve relative to the safety of railroad employees (which originated in the House) was passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolve passed

*Orders of the Day.*Orders of the
Day.**Reports :**

Of the committee on Railroads, no further legislation necessary, on the annual report of the Railroad Commissioners ; and

Of the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to such legislation as will enable railroad corporations to take or abolish any private way across railroad tracks or its lands used for railroad purposes ;

Were severally accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The report of the committee on Railroads, no legislation necessary, on so much of the Governor's Address as relates to railroads, was accepted, in concurrence.

The Resolves concerning the income of the Massachusetts School Fund, and to aid the support of common schools in the smaller towns of the Commonwealth were read a second time and ordered to a third reading.

Bills :

To provide for a new division of wards in cities ;

To amend section 27 of chapter 181 of the Public Statutes relating to suits for redemption of mortgaged premises ; and

Authorizing the Auditor of the Commonwealth to employ an additional clerk ;

Were severally read a third time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the towns of Athol, Spencer and Amesbury to license the manufacture and distribution of illuminating gas containing more than ten per cent. of carbonic oxide was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to supply the town of Winchendon with water was read a third time and considered. An amendment moved by Mr. Smith of Athol was rejected by a vote of 45 to 62, and, after debate, the bill was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to regulate the holding of caucuses or public meetings of the qualified voters of cities and towns for political purposes was read a third time and considered. Amendments moved by Messrs. McDonough of Boston

and Quincy of Quincy were adopted, and the bill as amended was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendments.

The Bill to amend chapter 285 of the Acts of the year 1887, relative to the erection of a court house in the city of Fall River, was, on motion of Mr. Wadlin of Reading, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow morning, pending the question on its reference to the next General Court, as recommended by the joint committee on the Judiciary.

Bills :

To amend the certificate of incorporation of the Order of the Iron Hall ; and

To aid the small towns to provide themselves with school superintendents ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Resolve providing for an investigation into the subject of the abolition of grade crossings on railroads was read a third time and considered. Mr. Wyman of Hyde Park moved to amend by the substitution of a resolve with the same title. After debate the amendment was adopted, by a vote of 68 to 47, and the resolve as amended was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

The Bill to authorize the city of Worcester to lay out a street over land of the Commonwealth at Worcester, was read a second time. Pending the amendment recommended by the committee on Finance, and pending amendments moved by Messrs. Ware of Boston and Pinkerton of Worcester, and pending the main question on ordering the bill to a third reading, it was, on motion of Mr. Pinkerton, postponed for further consideration until to-morrow morning to be placed second in the orders of the day.

The Bill to amend chapter 13 of the Public Statutes relating to the taxation of fire and marine insurance companies was rejected, as recommended by the committee on Taxation.

The Bill appropriating ten thousand dollars annually for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association was considered. Its rejection, as recommended by the com-

mittee on Finance, was negatived by a vote of 36 to 63, and the bill was placed in the orders of the day for tomorrow morning for a second reading.

The Bill to provide for printing and distributing ballots at the public expense, and to regulate voting at State and city elections, was read a third time, and considered. Pending amendments moved by Messrs. Quincy of Quincy and Sanger of Cambridge, and pending the main question on the engrossment of the bill, the House,

At eleven o'clock, adjourned.

TUESDAY, May 29, 1888.

Met according to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

Petitions Presented.

By Mr. Dame of Newbury, petition of the Mayor of Newburyport and others ; and by Mr. Goss of Amesbury, petitions of citizens of Amesbury and of citizens of Salisbury ; severally, for such legislation as will place the cost of maintaining and repairing bridges upon the Commonwealth or upon the counties where such bridges are located. Severally referred, under the 12th Joint Rule, to the next General Court.

Cost of maintaining and repairing bridges.

Papers from the Senate.

A Bill in relation to the execution of the death penalty ; and a

Resolve relating to the infliction of the death penalty ;

Ibid.

Severally passed to be engrossed by the Senate, were severally read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

A Resolve to provide for supplying the Massachusetts Reformatory at Concord with pure water (reported on so much of the annual report of the Commissioners of Prisons which relates to the water supply for said institution), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read, and, under a suspension of the rules, moved by Mr. Finney of Plymouth, was read a second time, and was ordered to a third reading.

Water supply for the Massachusetts Reformatory.

The Bill to regulate the holding of caucuses or public meetings of the qualified voters of cities and towns for political purposes came down with the endorsement that the Senate non-concurred in the House amendments and asked for a committee of conference, and Messrs. Sprague, Shea and Kingsley were appointed the committee on the part of the Senate. On motion of Mr. Quincy of Quincy, the House concurred in the appointment of a committee, and Messrs. Quincy of Quincy, Sanford of Boston and

Holding of caucuses or public meetings for political purposes.

McDonough of Boston were appointed the committee on the part of the House, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Reports of Committees.

Limiting the rates or charges of interest.

By Mr. Wharton of Boston, from the committee on the Judiciary, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to further legislation limiting the rates or charges of interest.

Clerk for the third district court of Southern Worcester.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to providing a clerk for the third district court of Southern Worcester.

Excessive interest for loans.

By Mr. Bottum of Northampton, from the same committee, inexpedient to legislate, on an order relative to prohibiting the taking of excessive interest or other compensation for loans.

Taxing and certifying costs in inferior courts and before trial justices.

By Mr. Pratt of Abington, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to taxing and certifying costs which accrue in the inferior courts and before trial justices.

Liquor licenses not to terminate on the death of the licensee.

By Mr. Flynn of Boston, from the same committee, reference to the next General Court, on an order relative to providing that liquor licenses shall not terminate on the death of the licensee but shall belong to the legal representatives of the deceased.

Statement of estimates for 1888.

By Mr. Lovell of Boston, from the committee on Finance, no further legislation necessary, on the statement of estimates for 1888.

Report of the Treasurer and Receiver-General.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, from the committee on Finance, no legislation necessary, on the report of the Treasurer and Receiver-General.

Abstract of the report of the Auditor of Accounts.

By the same gentleman, from the same committee, no further legislation necessary, on the abstract of the report of the Auditor of Accounts.

Severally read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, in each case.

Massachusetts School Fund.

By Mr. Lyman of Belchertown, from the committee on Education, no further legislation necessary, on the two orders and the special report of the Board of Education relative to the Massachusetts School Fund (taken from the files of last year) Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Lyman of Belchertown, and sent up for concurrence.

*Bills Enacted.***Engrossed bills :**

To incorporate the Middlesex Safe Deposit and Trust Company ; Bills enacted.

To incorporate the Chelsea Safe Deposit and Trust Company ;

To incorporate the Mercantile Loan and Trust Company ;

To incorporate the Union Loan and Trust Company ;
and

Relating to the procedure in poor debtor matters ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ; and

To change the title of the law clerk of the Attorney-General and to prescribe his duties (which originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders.

On motion of Mr. Parkman of Boston, the Resolve concerning the income of the Massachusetts School Fund, and to aid the support of common schools in the smaller towns of the Commonwealth, was discharged from the orders of the day, under a suspension of the rule. It was read a third time and considered. Mr. Lyman of Belchertown moved to amend by the substitution of a resolve with the same title. After debate, the amendment was adopted, and the resolve, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Massachusetts School Fund, — support of common schools.

On motion of Mr. Wadlin of Reading, the Bill to provide for taking the vote upon the question of granting liquor licenses in towns, and for taking such vote in cities in the year 1888, was discharged from the orders of the day and considered, under a suspension of the rule, and, after debate, was ordered to a third reading. (On motion of Mr. McDonough of Boston, the rules were further suspended, and the bill was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Use of the checklist in taking the vote on the question of granting liquor licenses.

On motion of the same gentleman, the Resolve providing for repairing and enlarging Crocker Hall and certain other repairs at the State Normal School at Framingham was discharged from the orders of the day and consid-

State Normal School at Framingham

ered, under a suspension of the rule. Mr. Wilde of Malden moved to amend by the substitution of a "Resolve providing for a new school building and for repairing and enlarging Crocker Hall at the State Normal School at Framingham." After debate on the question of substitution, the yeas and nays were ordered at the request of Mr. Wilde, and, the roll being called, the substitute was rejected by a vote of 100 yeas to 102 nays, as follows:—

YEAS.

Messrs. Adams, Charles E.	Messrs. Haggerty, David J.
Atherton, Horace H.	Haggerty, Charles
Berry, Francis T.	Haynes, Henry D.
Boardman, Francis	Henry, Robert
Brewer, Edward W.	Hill, Luther
Brigham, Arthur A.	Hitchcock, Calvin
Cannell, Joseph H.	Hooper, George M.
Carman, William A.	Keane, Jeremiah J.
Carney, Michael	Leary, Edward J.
Carpenter, George N.	Lothrop, J. Q. A.
Carroll, Peter T.	Lyman, Payson W.
Church, Moses D.	Manning, Albert S.
Clark, David H.	Manning, David, Jr.
Clark, Henry	McCall, Samuel W.
Conant, Charles W.	McCooley, Thomas
Conroy, James	McDonough, John H.
Coveney, John W.	McEnaney, Thomas O.
Cutler, Samuel	McEttrick, Michael J.
Dame, Albert L.	Mellen, James H.
Davis, Edmund A.	Miller, Lyman M.
Dennis, George	Milliken, Daniel L.
Desmond, Jeremiah	Monahan, William H.
Doherty, John	Morey, George F.
Donovan, Edward J.	Noonan, Thomas L.
Donovan, James	O'Brien, Dennis J.
Farren, Thomas G.	O'Mealey, John W.
Ferry, William F.	O'Neil, John W.
Fisher, Albert L.	O'Neill, Thomas F.
Floyd, David, 2d	Pear, Isaac S.
Flynn, Edward J.	Pinkerton, Alfred S.
Flynn, Thomas J.	Plaisted, John W.
Friend, Henry	Preble, William H.
Frost, Henry	Qua, Francis W.
Garity, Michael	Quinn, Andrew
Gile, William A.	Raymond, Francis H.
Gordon, William, Jr.	Read, John
Gray, Davis P.	Riddell, Henry
Greenwood, Morrill A.	Robinson, J. Henry

Messrs. Rogers, Samuel N.
 Rugg, Charles P.
 Russell, Irving L.
 Sanger, Chester F.
 Shepard, Charles F.
 Slocum, Winfield S.
 Smith, Sidney P.
 Southwick, Benjamin F.
 Story, Cyrus
 Stowe, Elijah B.
 Thompson, A. Cranston
 Tompkins, Isaac B.

Messrs. Turner, Henry A.
 Tyler, Ansel P.
 Upham, Samuel O.
 Vanderhoop, Edwin D.
 Wadlin, Horace G.
 Walworth, Arthur C.
 Wharton, William F.
 Whiteher, James E.
 Wilde, William A.
 Wilkinson, John W.
 Wright, Arthur
 Wyman, Ferdinand A.

NAYS.

Messrs. Allen, John J.
 Armstrong, William O.
 Atwood, Harrison H.
 Babbitt, Rollin H.
 Backup, John
 Barrett, William E.
 Bartlett, Joseph F.
 Bennett, Charles H.
 Blake, Edwin H.
 Bottum, John B.
 Brackett, Albert A.
 Breed, Arthur B.
 Brooks, A. Olin
 Brown, John F.
 Burnham, William Howe
 Butler, William A.
 Call, Charles A.
 Carey, William H.
 Champlin, Arthur B.
 Cheney, Joseph P., Jr.
 Clark, Schuyler
 Close, George
 Coolidge, George H.
 Cronin, James M.
 Crowell, Joshua
 Dame, Luther
 Delano, John W.
 Dewey, Wilson
 Dexter, Solomon K.
 Dolan, Bernard
 Dresser, Theodore P.
 Eames, Harry M.
 Eldridge, Albert R.
 Fales, Frank A.
 Finney, Elkanah

Messrs. Fisk, Edward P.
 Gibson, George W.
 Gleason, Joseph H.
 Gleason, Willard F.
 Goss, Charles
 Grosvenor, Charles F.
 Hartwell, Benjamin H.
 Haskell, Henry C.
 Hatch, Franklin W.
 Hathaway, James A.
 Hayes, Elihu B.
 Hayes, John E.
 Holman, Frank E.
 Jaques, Alden P.
 Kearn, George H.
 Kendall, Horace M.
 Kimball, Henry A.
 Kimball, John W.
 Lally, James, Jr.
 Leach, William T.
 Lovell, Clarence P.
 Lyons, Henry S.
 Martin, James P.
 McCarthy, Patrick
 McDonald, Robert H.
 Merrill, John F.
 Miller, Albert E.
 Morin, John M.
 Morton, Harrison E.
 Nelson, Sidney T.
 Norwood, Caleb J.
 Parkman, Henry
 Peirson, Henry M.
 Perkins, Nathaniel R.
 Perry, George R.

Messrs. Pierce, Charles Q.	Messrs. Stimpson, Daniel P.
Poore, William H.	Taft, Robert L.
Pratt, Harvey H.	Temple, Albert H.
Provin, William	Thayer, Rufus A.
Quincy, Josiah	Towne, Joseph L.
Quinn, Philip H.	Wales, Abijah T.
Raymond, Samuel M.	Ware, M. Everett
Risteen, John C.	Waters, Franklin L.
Rogers, Joseph W.	White, William L., Jr.
Rogerson, William B.	Wiley, Albert L.
Rounsevell, Arthur G.	Willis, Rufus H.
Russell, Alvin D.	Winchester, Reuben
Sanford, Alpheus	Winthrop, John
Seavey, Charles W.	Witt, Charles T.
Simonds, S. Dwight	Woods, Frank F.
Slocum, George W.	Woodward, Charles F.

Yeas, 100 ; nays, 102.

On this question, Mr. Sohier of Beverly, who, it was announced, would have voted in the affirmative, was paired with Mr. Griswold of Greenfield.

The resolve was ordered to a third reading.

City of Worcester, — street over land of the Commonwealth.

On motion of Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, the Bill to authorize the city of Worcester to lay out a street over land of the Commonwealth at Worcester was discharged from the orders of the day and considered, under a suspension of the rule. The pending amendment moved by Mr. Ware of Boston was withdrawn by that gentleman, there being no objection. The pending amendment moved by Mr. Pinkerton to strike out in the fourth line the word "Shrewsbury" and insert the word "Belmont" was adopted. The pending amendment moved by Mr. Pinkerton was moved as a substitute for the amendment recommended by the committee on Finance and was adopted, and the bill, as amended, was ordered to a third reading. On motion of Mr. Frost of Boston, the rules were further suspended, and the bill was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Fall River court house.

On motion of Mr. Parkman of Boston, the Bill to amend chapter 285 of the Acts of the year 1887 relative to the erection of a court house in the city of Fall River was discharged from the orders of the day and considered, under a suspension of the rule. The report of the joint

committee on the Judiciary, recommending its reference to the next General Court, was rejected, and the bill was placed in the orders of the day for the afternoon, the question being on ordering to a third reading.

Orders of the Day.

The Bill to provide for printing and distributing ballots at the public expense, and to regulate voting at State and city elections, was further considered, the question being on its engrossment. Amendments moved by Messrs. Quincy of Quincy and Sanger of Cambridge were adopted, and the bill, as amended, was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, and sent up for concurrence in the amendments adopted by the House.

Orders of the Day.

At one o'clock, adjourned, until quarter-past two o'clock, the House having previously voted to suspend the rule relative to adjournment and hour of meeting.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Gile of Worcester, a Bill to provide compensation for the chairman of the committee on Bills in the Third Reading of the House of Representatives. Read, and, on motion of Mr. Gile, the 12th Joint Rule was suspended, and the bill was sent up for concurrence in the suspension of the rule.

Compensation for the chairman of the committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

Papers from the Senate.

A Bill for the relief, in cases of necessity, of persons who served in the army or navy of the United States during the war of the rebellion, and their dependent families (substituted in the Senate for a House bill with a similar title), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and ordered to a second reading. On motion of Mr. Bartlett of Montague, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Relief of persons who served in the army or navy during the war of the rebellion.

A Bill to revise the charter of the city of Lawrence (substituted in the Senate for a House bill with the same title), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read and

Charter of the city of Lawrence.

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Poore, William H.	Taft, Robert L.
Pratt, Harvey H.	Temple, Albert H.
Provin, William	Thayer, Rufus A.
Quincy, Josiah	Towne, Joseph L.
Quinn, Philip H.	Wales, Abijah T.
Raymond, Samuel M.	Ware, M. Everett
Risteen, John C.	Waters, Franklin L.
Rogers, Joseph W.	White, William L. . Jr.
Rogerson, William B.	Wiley, Albert L.
Rounsevell, Arthur G.	Willis, Rufus H.
Russell, Alvin D.	Winchester, Reuben
Sanford, Alpheus	Winthrop, John
Seavey, Charles W.	Witt, Charles T.
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Papers from the Senate.

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Charter of the city of Lawrence.

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Holding of
caucuses or
public meetings
for political
purposes.

A report of the committee of conference on the matters of difference between the two branches on the Senate Bill to regulate the holding of caucuses or public meetings of the qualified voters of cities and towns for political purposes, that the Senate should recede from its non-concurrence in the House amendments, accepted by the Senate, was read and accepted, in concurrence, under a suspension of the rule, moved by Mr. Quincy of Quincy, and the bill was returned to the Senate endorsed accordingly.

Winchendon
water supply.

The House Bill to supply the town of Winchendon with water, passed to be engrossed by the House, came down from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment. On motion of Mr. Perkins of Winchendon, the rule was suspended, and the House non-concurred in the amendment and asked for a committee of conference, and Messrs. Perkins of Winchendon, Kearn of North Adams and Raymond of Somerville were appointed on the part of the House. Sent up for concurrence.

Mayall Elevated
Railway Com-
pany.

Notice was received from the Senate of the rejection by that branch of the House Bill to incorporate the Mayall Elevated Railway Company.

Insolvent cor-
porations.

Notice was received from the Senate that the House Bill in relation to insolvent corporations had been referred by that branch to the next General Court.

Notice was received from the Senate that the House bills :

To authorize the towns of Athol, Spencer and Amesbury to license the manufacture and distribution of illuminating gas containing more than ten per cent. of carbonic oxide ; and

To provide for the disposition of forfeited property found and seized in common gaming-houses,

Had been severally referred to the next General Court ; also that the Bill (introduced on leave in the House) to provide compensation for the chairman of the committee on Bills in the Third Reading of the House of Representatives had been referred by the Senate to the next General Court, under the 12th Joint Rule.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Wharton of Boston, from the committee on the Death penalty. Judiciary, that the Senate Resolve relating to the infliction of the death penalty ought to pass. On motion of Mr. Wharton, the rules were suspended, and the resolve was read a second and a third time and was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

By Mr. Bottum of Northampton, from the same com- Ibid. mittee, that the Senate Bill in relation to the execution of the death penalty ought not to pass. Read, and, on motion of Mr. Pinkerton of Worcester, the rule was suspended and the bill was rejected, as recommended by the committee, and notice was sent to the Senate.

By Mr. Dame of Newbury, from the committee on Pay Report of committee on Pay Roll. Roll, who were instructed to make up the pay roll of the members of the House of Representatives, that the following order, with the accompanying schedule, should be adopted:—

Ordered, That the accompanying schedule, showing that the amount of \$180,750 is due to the members of the House of Representatives for attendance at the present session of the General Court, and that the sum of \$1,869 is due for compensation for mileage, is approved and the same be sent to the Treasurer and Receiver-General.

Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, and the order was adopted and signed by the Speaker.

*Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.**Engrossed bills:*

To amend section 27 of chapter 181 of the Public Bills enacted. Statutes, relating to suits for redemption of mortgaged premises;

Authorizing the Auditor of the Commonwealth to employ an additional clerk;

To provide for taking the vote upon the question of granting liquor licenses in towns, and for taking such vote in cities in the year 1888;

To authorize the city of Worcester to lay out a street over land of the Commonwealth at Worcester; and

To provide for a new division of wards in cities;
(Which severally originated in the House); and

To amend the certificate of incorporation of the order of the Iron Hall; and

To aid small towns to provide themselves with school superintendents;

(Which severally originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Resolves
passed.

Engrossed resolves:

Providing for an investigation into the subject of the abolition of grade crossings on railroads (which originated in the House); and

Relating to the infliction of the death penalty (which originated in the Senate);

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Discharged from the Orders.

State Normal
School at
Frammingham.

On motion of Mr. Parkman of Boston, the Resolve providing for repairing and enlarging Crocker Hall and certain other repairs at the State Normal School at Frammingham, was discharged from the orders of the day and considered, under a suspension of the rule. Mr. Wilde of Malden moved to amend by the substitution of a "Resolve providing for a new building and for repairing and enlarging Crocker Hall at the State Normal School at Frammingham." After debate, the amendment was adopted by a vote of 104 to 68, and the resolve, as amended, was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Fall River
court house.

On motion of Mr. Hall of Taunton, the Bill to amend chapter 285 of the Acts of the year 1887, relative to the erection of a court house in the city of Fall River, was discharged from the orders of the day and considered, under a suspension of the rule, the question being on ordering to a third reading. Mr. Hall of Taunton moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed, which motion was lost by a vote of 85 to 96, and the bill was ordered to a third reading. On further motion of Mr. Hall, the rules were further suspended, and the bill was read a third time and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

Orders of the Day.

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Resolves:

Providing for a further investigation of the subject of heating and lighting passenger, mail and baggage cars; and

To provide for supplying the Massachusetts Reformatory at Concord with pure water ;

Were severally read a third time and were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The Bill appropriating ten thousand dollars annually for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association was read a second time and considered, and, after debate, was ordered to a third reading. Subsequently, the orders of the day having been disposed of, on motion of Mr. Lovell of Boston, the rules were suspended, and the resolve was read a third time and considered. An amendment moved by Mr. Ferry of Springfield was rejected, and, after debate, the bill was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Hour of Adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Barrett of Melrose, the rule relative to requiring the Speaker to declare an adjournment on the completion of the business at which the House is engaged at five o'clock was suspended.

Hour of adjournment.

Hour of Meeting.

On motion of Mr. Wharton of Boston, —

Voted, That when the House adjourns it be to meet at seven o'clock P. M.

Hour of meeting.

At fourteen minutes past five o'clock, adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

Introduced on Leave.

By Mr. Brown of Boston, a Bill to amend an act to authorize the city of Worcester to lay out a street over land of the Commonwealth at Worcester. Read, and, on motion of Mr. Brown, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time, and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

City of Worcester, — street over land of the Commonwealth.

Papers from the Senate.

Notice was received from the Senate that Messrs. Kimball of Suffolk, Hartwell of Worcester, Dwyer of Suffolk, Keith of the Cape District and Hathorne of Suffolk were appointed the special committee, on the part of the Senate,

Centennial celebration of Ohio.

provided for in the Resolves of this year relative to the centennial celebration of the settlement of Ohio and the establishment of civil government in the Northwest Territory. The Speaker appointed, on the part of the House, Messrs. Upham of Waltham, Hill of Spencer, McDonough of Boston, Hall of Taunton, James Donovan of Boston, Brown of Boston, Pinkerton of Worcester, Russell of Somerville, Atherton of Saugus, Lyman of Belchertown, Lovell of Boston, Coveney of Cambridge, Poore of Bradford, Winchester of Holyoke and McDonald of Great Barrington.

Completing and
perfecting army
records.

The order relative to the appointment of a joint special committee to sit during the recess of the Legislature to consider the subject of completing and perfecting the records of officers and enlisted men serving from Massachusetts in the army or navy during the war of the rebellion came down from the Senate with the endorsement that Messrs. Walker of Essex and Cook of Essex were appointed the committee on the part of that branch. The Speaker appointed, on the part of the House, Messrs. Woodward of Wakefield, Bartlett of Montague, Kimball of Fitchburg, E. J. Donovan of Boston and Southwick of Peabody.

Reports of Committees.

Committee of
conference on
the Winchen-
don water sup-
ply.

By Mr. Kearns of North Adams, from the committee of conference on the matters of difference between the two branches on the Bill to supply the town of Winchendon with water, that the committee are unable to agree.

Read and accepted, under a suspension of the rule, and sent up for concurrence.

Subsequently, the report came down from the Senate with the endorsement that the Senate concurred in the acceptance of the report.

On motion of Mr. Perkins of Winchendon, the House asked for another committee of conference, and Messrs. Atwood of Boston, Qua of Lowell and Provin of Westfield were appointed the committee. Sent up to be joined.

Appropriation
bill.

By Mr. Ware of Boston, from the committee on Finance, on an order relative to appropriation bills, a Bill in further addition to the several acts making appro-

priations for expenses authorized the present year, and for certain other expenses authorized by law.

Read, and, on motion of Mr. Ware, the rules were suspended, and the bill was read a second and a third time and was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

By Mr. Atwood of Boston, from the committee of conference on the matters of difference between the two branches on the House Bill to supply the town of Winchendon with water, that the House should recede from its action in non-concurring in the Senate amendments. Read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Winchendon
water supply.

Bills Enacted and Resolves Passed.

Engrossed bills :

To amend chapter two hundred and eighty-five of the Acts of the year 1887 relative to the erection of a courthouse in the city of Fall River ;

Bills enacted.

For the relief, in cases of necessity, of persons who served in the army or navy of the United States during the rebellion, and their dependent families ;

To amend an act to authorize the city of Worcester to lay out a street over land of the Commonwealth at Worcester ;

To supply the town of Winchendon with water ; and

In further addition to the several acts making appropriations for expenses authorized the present year, and for certain other expenses authorized by law ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Appropriating ten thousand dollars annually for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association ;

To revise the charter of the city of Lawrence ;

To provide for printing and distributing ballots at the public expense and to regulate voting at State and city elections ; and

To regulate the holding of caucuses or public meetings of the qualified voters of cities and towns for political purposes ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed to be enacted, signed and sent to the Senate.

Engrossed resolves :

Providing for a new school building, and for repairing and enlarging Crocker Hall at the State Normal School at Framingham ; and

Resolves
passed.

Concerning the income of the Massachusetts School Fund, and to aid the support of common schools in the smaller towns of the Commonwealth ;

(Which severally originated in the House) ;

Providing for a further investigation of the subject of heating and lighting passenger, mail and baggage cars ; and

To provide for supplying the Massachusetts Reformatory at Concord with pure water ;

(Which severally originated in the Senate) ;

Were severally passed, signed and sent to the Senate.

Dedication of the Statue of Josiah Bartlett.

The following invitation was received and read by the Speaker : —

AMESBURY, May 29, 1888.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of Massachusetts.

Dedication of
the statue of
Josiah Bartlett.

The citizens of Amesbury, in public meeting assembled, extend to both branches of the Legislature of Massachusetts their hearty greetings, and beg them to accept a courteous and sincere invitation to be present at Amesbury, July 4 next, at the dedication of the statue of the first signer of the Declaration of Independence, Josiah Bartlett.

On motion of Mr. Collison of Boston, the invitation was accepted, and the communication was sent to the Senate.

Resignation of a Member.

Resignation of
Sidney P. Smith
of Athol, Repre-
sentative for the
First Worcester
District.

A communication was received from Mr. Smith of Athol, tendering his resignation as a member of the House of Representatives for the First Worcester Representative District. The communication was read, and, on motion of Mr. McDonough of Boston, the resignation was accepted and placed on file.

Resolutions.

Mr. Fisk of Boston being in the chair, Mr. Pratt of Abington offered the following resolution : —

Resolution of
thanks to the
Speaker.

Resolved, That the thanks of the members of the House of Representatives be and hereby are tendered to the Hon-

orable Charles J. Noyes, Speaker of the House, for the courteous, fair and impartial manner in which he has discharged the onerous duties as presiding officer during the present session of the Legislature.

After remarks by Messrs. Wadlin of Reading, Flynn of Boston and Wharton of Boston, the resolution was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

The Speaker resumed the chair and spoke as follows:—

Fellow Members: For this resolution, and for the many kind expressions of approval with which you have seen fit to accompany it, permit me, as far as my power of words is able, to express to you the most grateful feeling of a grateful heart. If for a moment I was led to believe that this resolution was offered in recognition of an old-time custom I might have but very little to say in response; but I think I should do violence to my own feelings if I did not believe that with that resolution comes the sincere indorsement of every member of the House, at whose hand, from the moment when you honored me by the distinction of a unanimous choice on the first day of this session to the present time, I have received the most cordial encouragement. Believing, then, that it is no formality, but an expression of confidence and esteem far beyond any merits of mine to deserve, but prompted by your generous charity and forbearance, I would that I could express in better terms the thought that nestles in the heart, but cannot pass in adequate expression the feeble lips. I did not come to this chair unfamiliar with its duties, its trials, its responsibilities, but a long experience had taught me that whoever was honored to preside over the deliberations of a Massachusetts House of Representatives can safely anticipate from his associates that courtesy, that consideration and that co-operation, without which no man can stand in this place, however long his experience, however much his confidence, and hope to discharge successfully the important duties of this office. From you, as day has succeeded day, during the lengthening period of this session, I have uniformly received that support, and to it I attribute all the success that has come to me in the discharge of the duties of this place. When, eight years ago, I was first called by my associates to the office of speaker, I recognized that there were certain rules which he would be

called to observe if he desired to be successful in the government of the House, and you will pardon me if I say that time has demonstrated to me the wisdom of that opinion. In the first place, in my judgment, it is the duty of the Speaker to refrain from the debates of this body, because, in the first place, he is debarred from the opportunity of the committee room, wherein the information is gathered that enables the House to act rightly in the determination of matters; and, second, that he should leave it largely to the body to determine the question before it, feeling that that measure which cannot secure a majority of the votes of so large and intelligent a body as this has not yet found the time when there is need for it to become law. And thirdly, that by no indication from the chair should he let the House understand what his feeling is in the matter. Thus, alone, in my judgment, can the Speaker prepare himself to make such rulings upon the technical questions that may determine the fate of a measure as shall commend them to the confidence of his associates, and declare aright, ungoverned by private opinion in the matter, the parliamentary law that shall stand for the government of those who shall be our successors. It is no common honor to be a member of a body like this, to be selected in the various localities of the Commonwealth, to represent a constituency of the citizens of Massachusetts and for them to formulate the statute that is to govern the great interests of a community like Massachusetts. I know you would not pardon me if I ventured upon any fulsome platitudes. I would not belittle you nor this high office by indulging in one word of praise that I did not believe was fully deserved, and yet, recognizing this principle in its fullest measure, I have to say that for diligence, for patience, for a fair willingness to hear every man for the cause that he represents and then to determine the matter before you upon the basis on which, in your best judgment, it ought to stand, this House has no superior and few equals. And it is much to the credit of the House of '88 that it comes to the conclusion of its labors after having done a very large amount of work, earlier than any House since 1882. That work has been yours, not mine. The credit for the brevity of this session is to be given to you, and not to me, and if I have assisted in any way to that result, it is because of your co-operation and support and hearty sympathy in all my efforts to that end. I cannot

fail to express to my associate officers in this House the great debt of gratitude I owe them for their cordial assistance and support in the trying duties of this place. To you, Mr. Clerk, with whom I have had the honor of association for a number of years, to your diligence, early and late, to your patience, to your uniform courtesy, the thorough knowledge for the discharge of your duties, I render you thanks, only wishing I could better express them. And to your associate, who has come up along the path of duty, receiving promotion as a reward for faithful service, I would mete out, as fully as I am able, the same measure of acknowledgment. For the five years that I have stood in this place, the opening service of every day has been conducted by you, Reverend Chaplain, in a manner that is beyond all praise and commendation, and it was one of the happiest surprises of the first day of last year and this that I realized you were to be at my left hand each day to give me inspiration and strength for the work that was before me. And to the sergeant-at-arms and all his associates in his department I have to express my thanks for courtesy, assistance and everything that can make the duty and work of this office pleasant and agreeable, and I congratulate the Commonwealth that in looking around among her citizens to select an officer for the government of that department, she was fortunate enough to find so able and efficient a disciplinarian and officer and sergeant-at-arms for the Massachusetts Legislature. And now, fellow-members, the finger on the dial hastening, warns me that the hour of departure is soon to be here; the hour that shall for the last time see us all together in any spot of the wide, wide world; for when we depart from this chamber we go to diverse paths, never again by duty or by chance to be gathered, all side by side. I feel confident, from the manner in which you have discharged your duties here, that, whatever shall come to you in the various paths your feet shall be called to travel, no matter what responsibilities may confront you or what obstacles you have to overcome, you will bring to that duty the same efficiency, the same careful regard for duty, that you have manifested here. I can only say, as a final word of farewell, that my heart wishes for each and all of you the most precious blessing that heaven can bestow, and a recognition everywhere of the merit which you have shown you so abundantly possess.

The following resolution was offered by Mr. Bottum of Northampton : —

Resolution of
thanks to the
Clerk.

Resolved, That the thanks of the House of Representatives are hereby extended to Edward A. McLaughlin, its Clerk, for the able, faithful and courteous manner in which he has discharged the duties of his office during the present session of the Legislature.

After remarks by Messrs. Bottum of Northampton, Smith of Athol, Mellen of Worcester and Coveney of Cambridge, the resolution was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

The following resolution was offered by Mr. Lovell of Boston : —

Resolution of
thanks to the
Sergeant-at-
Arms.

Resolved, That the House of Representatives hereby expresses and extends to Captain John G. B. Adams, Sergeant-at-Arms, and to his courteous assistants, its sense of gratitude and appreciation for the faithful and efficient manner in which they have discharged the duties of their respective offices during the present session.

After remarks by Messrs. Lovell of Boston and E. J. Donovan of Boston, the resolution was unanimously adopted.

Mr. Wilde of Malden offered the following resolution : —

Resolution of
thanks to the
Chaplain.

Resolved, That the thanks of the House are due and are hereby tendered to the Rev. Daniel W. Waldron for the very acceptable and faithful service rendered by him as Chaplain during the present session.

After remarks by Mr. Wilde of Malden and Gracey of Salem, the resolution was unanimously adopted.

The following resolution was offered by Mr. Hayes of Lynn : —

Resolution of
thanks to the
Assistant Clerk.

Resolved, That the members of the House of Representatives, in acknowledgment of the high respect they have for their Assistant Clerk, and as a token of their appreciation of the able and impartial manner in which he has discharged the duties of his office, extend to Mr. James W. Kimball their parting compliments and their hope for his success in his present or any other official position to which he may be called.

After remarks by Mr. Hayes of Lynn, the resolution was unanimously adopted.

Paper from the Senate.

Notice was received from the Senate that the "Bill appropriating ten thousand dollars annually for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association," having been returned by His Excellency the Governor without his signature and with his objections thereto in writing, had failed to pass that branch, two-thirds of the Senate present not having voted in the affirmative.

Prorogation.

Ordered, That a committee, to consist of three on the part of the Senate and such as the House may join, be appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Governor and inform him that the two branches of the Legislature have disposed of all the public business which has been brought before them, and to request him, with the advice and consent of the Council, to prorogue them to the Tuesday next preceding the first Wednesday of January next.

Messrs. Clark of Berkshire and Hampshire, Pike of Essex and Collins of Suffolk having been appointed said committee on the part of the Senate, Messrs. Wharton of Boston, Wadlin of Reading, Ware of Boston, Collison of Boston, Grosvenor of Ludlow, Waters of Orange, Winthrop of Stockbridge and Finney of Plymouth were joined on the part of the House.

Mr. Wharton, from the committee, afterward reported that they had waited upon His Excellency the Governor and informed him of the action of the two branches, that His Excellency congratulated the members on the completion of their labor, and said that he would communicate further with the two Houses through the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

At fourteen minutes past eleven o'clock, the Secretary of the Commonwealth came in, and stated that His Excellency had signed, during the session, four hundred and forty-four acts and one hundred and four resolves; and that he had returned, with his objections thereto, one bill, which was the "Bill appropriating ten thousand dollars annually for the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association."

The Secretary further said that he had been directed by the Governor, with the consent of the Council, and in

compliance with the request of the two branches, to prorogue the General Court to the Tuesday next preceding the first Wednesday in January next. And the General Court was prorogued accordingly.

Attest,

EDWARD A. McLAUGHLIN,
Clerk.

APPENDIX.

[No. 1.]

ANNUAL REGISTER

OF THE

EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENTS

OF THE

GOVERNMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS.

1888.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

NAME AND OFFICE.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Occupation.	First Year in Present Office.
Oliver Ames, <i>Governor</i> ,	Easton, . .	Feb. 4, 1831,	Easton, . .	Manufacturer, . .	1887.
John Q. A. Brackett, <i>Lieut. Governor</i> , . .	Arlington, .	June 8, 1842,	Bradford, N.H.,	Lawyer, . .	1887.
Jonathan Bourne, <i>Councillor</i> , Dist. No. 1, .	New Bedford, .	Mar. 25, 1811,	Sandwich, . .	Merchant, . .	1884.
Elijah A. Morse, " " 2, .	Canton, . .	May 25, 1841,	So. Bend, Ind.,	Manufacturer, . .	1888.
Ebenezer M. McPherson, " " 3, .	Boston, . .	Oct. 24, 1836,	Shelburne, N.S.,	Manufacturer, . .	1887.
Michael M. Cunniff, " " 4, .	Boston, . .	- 1849,	Ireland, . .	Banker and Broker,	1888.
Frank D. Allen, " " 5, .	Lynn, . .	Aug. 16, 1850,	Worcester, . .	Lawyer, . .	1886.
Francis Jewett, " " 6, .	Lowell, . .	Sept. 19, 1821,	Nelson, N.H., .	Merchant, . .	1887.
George W. Johnson, " " 7, .	Brookfield, .	Dec. 28, 1827,	Boston, . .	Lawyer, . .	1887.
Levi J. Gunn, " " 8, .	Greenfield, .	June 30, 1830,	Conway, . .	Manufacturer, . .	1888.

George H. Campbell, <i>Private Secretary to the Governor</i> ,	Easton,	Sept. 22, 1850,	Amherst, N.H.,	Lawyer,	1875.
Edward F. Hamlin, <i>Executive Clerk</i> ,	Newton,	June 6, 1846,	Plainfield,	-	1881.
<i>Heads of Departments —</i>					
Henry B. Peirce, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Abington,	Aug. 6, 1841,	Duxbury,	Insurance Broker,	1876.
Alanson W. Beard, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	Boston,	Aug. 20, 1825,	Ludlow, Vt.,	Merchant,	1886.
Charles R. Ladd, <i>Auditor</i> ,	Springfield,	April 9, 1822,	Tolland, Conn.,	Insurance,	1879.
Andrew J. Waterman, <i>Attorney-General</i> ,	Pittsfield,	June 23, 1825,	No. Adams,	Lawyer,	1887.
Samuel Dalton, <i>Adjutant-General</i> ,	Salem,	June 25, 1840,	Salem,	Merchant,	1883.

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

SENATE.

HALSEY J. BOARDMAN, PRESIDENT.

DISTRICTS.	SENATORS.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Occupation.	1st Year in Leg.
First Suffolk,	D. Frank Kimball,	Chelsea,	Dec. 4, 1846,	Boston,	Lawyer,	1883. ¹
Second "	Robert A. Southworth,	Boston,	May 6, 1852,	Medford,	Lawyer,	1888. ²
Third "	Patrick D. Dwyer,	Boston,	— 1857,	Ireland,	Law Student,	1884. ¹
Fourth "	John H. Sullivan,	Boston,	April 27, 1848,	Ireland,	Stevodore,	1888. ²
Fifth "	Henry H. Sprague,	Boston,	Aug. 1, 1841,	Athol,	Lawyer,	1881. ¹
Sixth "	John A. Collins,	Boston,	Feb. 29, 1860,	Boston,	Lawyer,	1886. ¹
Seventh "	Edward J. Hathorne,	Boston,	April 2, 1854,	Boston,	Line of Coaches,	1886. ¹
Eighth "	John F. Shea,	Boston,	June 8, 1858,	Boston,	Lawyer,	1886. ¹
Ninth "	Halsey J. Boardman,	Boston,	May 19, 1834,	Norwich, Vt.,	Lawyer,	1883. ¹
First Essex,	William A. Clark, Jr.,	Lynn,	June 9, 1852,	Newark, N.J.,	Journalist,	1886. ¹
Second "	Samuel Ronds, Jr.,	Marblehead,	Oct. 22, 1854,	Marblehead,	Real Estate,	1884. ¹
Third "	Benjamin F. Cook,	Gloucester,	Jan. 1, 1833,	Boston,	Trade and Merch't,	1868. ¹
Fourth "	James D. Pike,	Merrimac,	Feb. 26, 1829,	Salisbury,	Lawyer,	1861. ¹
Fifth "	David Walker,	Lynn,	Aug. 3, 1841,	Scotland,	Manufacturer,	1861. ¹
Sixth "	William T. McAlpine,	Lawrence,	July 20, 1810,	Saxtonville,	Manufacturer,	1848. ²

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First Middlesex,	Edward Glines,	Somerville,	Aug. 31, 1849,	Somerville,	Merchant,	1882. ¹
Second "	J. Varnum Fletcher,	Belmont,	Feb. 28, 1812,	Westfield,	Provisions,	1885. ¹
Third "	Chester W. Kingsley,	Cambridge,	June 9, 1824,	Brighton,	Treasurer,	1892. ¹
Fourth "	Edward J. Slattery,	Framingham,	June 15, 1856,	Medway,	Rubber Cutter,	1887. ²
Fifth "	Moses P. Palmer,	Groton,	May 1, 1830,	Derry, N.H.,	Farmer,	1884. ¹
Sixth "	John K. C. Sleeper,	Malden,	Feb. 7, 1828,	Bridgewater, N.H.,	Merchant,	1874. ¹
Seventh "	Frank W. Howe,	Lowell,	June 3, 1859,	Lowell,	Merchant,	1888. ²
First Worcester,	Edwin T. Marble,	Worcester,	Aug. 18, 1827,	Sutton,	Manufacturer,	1870. ¹
Second "	Silas M. Wheelock,	Uxbridge,	Nov. 11, 1818,	Uxbridge,	Manufacturer,	1888. ²
Third "	George P. Ladd,	Spencer,	Aug. 28, 1838,	Sturbridge,	Manufacturer,	1888. ²
Fourth "	Harris C. Hartwell,	Fitchburg,	Dec. 28, 1847,	Groton,	Lawyer,	1883. ¹
Worcester and Hampshire,	Charles A. Gleason,	New Braintree,	Feb. 7, 1846,	New Braintree,	Farmer,	1873. ¹
First Hampden,	Charles C. Spellman,	Springfield,	Dec. 3, 1843,	Hampden,	Lawyer,	1887. ¹
Second "	Levi Perkins,	Holyoke,	Mar. 13, 1831,	W. Springfield,	Retired,	1886. ¹
Franklin,	Charles A. Towne,	Orange,	Oct. 3, 1843,	Dana,	Grocer,	1883. ¹
Berkshire,	John C. Crosby,	Pittsfield,	June 15, 1859,	Sheffield,	Lawyer,	1886. ¹
Berkshire and Hampshire,	Charles N. Clark,	Northampton,	April 4, 1853,	Northampton,	Lawyer,	1883. ¹
First Norfolk,	James T. Stevens,	Braintree,	June 20, 1835,	Braintree,	Manufacturer,	1876. ¹
Second "	Enos H. Tucker,	Needham,	July 5, 1814,	Needham,	Railroad Supt.,	1885. ¹
First Plymouth,	Jubal C. Gleason,	Rockland,	Nov. 9, 1837,	Hubbardston,	Physician,	1870. ¹
Second "	Ziba C. Keith,	Brockton,	July 13, 1842,	N. Bridgewater,	Retired,	1875. ¹
First Bristol,	Austin Messinger,	Norton,	Nov. 2, 1817,	Norton,	Retired,	1851. ¹
Second "	Robert Howard,	Fall River,	Feb. 8, 1845,	England,	Cotton Spinner, etc.,	1881. ¹
Third "	Franklyn Howland,	Acushnet,	June 27, 1843,	Little Compton, R.I.,	Journalist,	1888. ²
Cape,	Isaac N. Keith,	Bourne,	Nov. 14, 1838,	West Sandwich,	Manufacturer,	1875. ¹

¹ House of Representatives.

² Senate.

OFFICERS OF THE SENATE.

NAME AND OFFICE.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	1st Year in Office.
E. Herbert Clapp, <i>Clerk</i> ,	Boston,	Oct. 17, 1838,	Dorchester,	1886.
Henry D. Coolidge, <i>Assistant Clerk</i> ,	Concord,	Aug. 26, 1858,	Chelsea,	1886.
John G. B. Adams, <i>Sergeant-at-Arms</i> ,	Lynn,	Oct. 6, 1841,	Groveland,	1886.
Rev. Edmund Dowse, <i>Chaplain</i> ,	Sherborn,	Jan. 30, 1813,	Sherborn,	1880.*

* Member of the Senate, 1869, 1870.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

CHARLES J. NOYES, BOSTON, SPEAKER.

Districts.	REPRESENTATIVES.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Occupation.	1st Year in Leg.
BARNSTABLE COUNTY.						
No. 1, . . . {	Albert R. Eldridge, . . .	Rourne, . . .	Sept. 10, 1850, . . .	Wareham, . . .	Dealer in Lumber and Hardw're, . . .	1888.
2, . . . {	Joshua Crowell, . . .	Dennis, . . .	Oct. 24, 1843, . . .	Dennis, . . .	Farmer, . . .	1884.
3, . . . {	Joseph W. Rogers, . . .	Orleans, . . .	Jan. 20, 1823, . . .	Orleans, . . .	Provision Dealer, Dep. Sheriff, . . .	1888.
3, . . . {	David Conwell, . . .	Provincetown, . . .	Oct. 27, 1818, . . .	Provincetown, . . .	Wholesale Fish Dealer, . . .	1888.
BERKSHIRE COUNTY.						
No. 1, . . . {	George H. Kearn, . . .	North Adams, . . .	Jan. 6, 1839, . . .	Bridgeport, Conn., . . .	Woollen, . . .	1886.
2, . . . {	Henry S. Lyons, . . .	North Adams, . . .	Nov. 21, 1865, . . .	Adams, . . .	Shoemaker, . . .	1888.
3, . . . {	John M. Morin, . . .	Adams, . . .	Feb. 14, 1828, . . .	Lansingb'g, N.Y., . . .	Finisher Woollen g'ds, . . .	1887.
4, . . . {	Samuel M. Raymond, . . .	Hinsdale, . . .	June 30, 1842, . . .	Peru, . . .	Grain Merchant, . . .	1888.
5, . . . {	Henry M. Peirson, . . .	Pittsfield, . . .	May 7, 1825, . . .	Richmond, . . .	Hardware Merchant, . . .	1888.
6, . . . {	William H. Carey, . . .	Dalton, . . .	Feb. 17, 1848, . . .	Richmond, . . .	Merchant, . . .	1888.
7, . . . {	John Winthrop, . . .	Stockbridge, . . .	June 20, 1841, . . .	Boston, . . .	Stock Raiser, . . .	1888.
7, . . . {	Robert H. McDonald, . . .	Gt. Barrington, . . .	June 1, 1854, . . .	Lee, . . .	Merchant, . . .	1888.
7, . . . {	Robert L. Taft, . . .	New Marlborough, . . .	Aug. 7, 1841, . . .	Sheffield, . . .	Manuf. and Farmer, . . .	1888.

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BRISTOL COUNTY.						
No. 1.	George R. Perry,	Norton, .	May 3, 1836,	Norton, .	Britannia and Silver Plating,	1876.
	Abijah T. Wales,	Attleborough,	June 21, 1833,	Attleborough,	. . . . .	1878.
2.	William B. Rogerson,	Mansfield,	Aug. 15, 1846,	Rehoboth,	. . . . .	1888.
	Rollin H. Babbitt,	Berkley,	May 7, 1840,	Berkley,	. . . . .	1888.
3.	William L. White, Jr.,	Taunton,	Feb. 22, 1843,	Taunton,	Farmer,	1888.
	Frederick S. Hall,	Taunton,	Feb. 10, 1861,	Norton,	Carriage Manufactur'r,	1888.
4.	Arthur G. Rounsevell,	Freetown,	Aug. 10, 1851,	Freetown,	Lawyer,	1887.
	Isaac B. Tompkins,	New Bedford,	Aug. 17, 1826,	Westport,	Carpenter,	1888.
5.	Rufus H. Willis,	New Bedford,	Mar. 18, 1838,	No. Easton,	. . . . .	1888.
6.	Charles P. Rugg,	New Bedford,	Aug. 12, 1827,	Hinsdale, N.H.,	Shoemaker,	1887.
	William Gordon, Jr.,	New Bedford,	Dec. 16, 1825,	New Bedford,	Merchant,	1883.
7.	George W. Slocum,	Dartmouth,	Nov. 18, 1818,	Dartmouth,	Farmer,	1888.
	James Conroy,	Fall River,	June 26, 1850,	Ireland,	Contractor,	1887.
8.	William A. Carman,	Fall River,	Mar. 10, 1854,	Maine,	Storekeeper,	1887.
	Andrew Quinn,	Fall River,	- 1853,	Ireland,	Liquors,	1887.
9.	Robert Henry,	Fall River,	Nov. 12, 1839,	Lowell,	. . . . .	1885.
	John C. Milne,	Fall River,	May 18, 1824,	Millfield, Scot.,	Publisher,	1884.
10.	Edmund A. Davis,	Somerset,	Dec. 10, 1839,	Somerset,	Stove Dealer,	1888.
DUKES COUNTY.						
No. 1.	Edwin D. Vanderhoop,	Gay Head,	- 1848,	Gay Head,	School Teacher,	1886.
ESSEX COUNTY.						
No. 1.	Charles Goss,	Amesbury,	- 1841,	Orange Co., Vt.,	Carriage Manufactur'r,	1888.
	John C. Risteen,	Amesbury,	- 1842,	Maine,	Bookkeeper,	1888.

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2,	Alden P. Jaques,	Haverhill,	1835,	Bowdoin, Me.,	Cattle Business,	1847.
3,	J. Otis Wardwell,	Haverhill,	Mar. 14, 1857,	Lowell,	Lawyer,	1857.
4,	William H. Poore,	Bradford,	May 28, 1864,	Bradford,	Journalist,	1848.
5,	Albert L. Dame,	Methuen,	April 1, 1841,	Wakefield, N.H.,	Trader,	1857.
6,	Michael F. Sullivan,	Lawrence,	Sept. 22, 1858,	Lawrence,	Pharmacist,	1848.
7,	Michael Carney,	Lawrence,	Jan. 1, 1820,	Ireland,	Saloon Keeper,	1857.
8,	William J. Hincheliffe,	Lawrence,	Sept. 7, 1855,	Andover,	Butcher,	1857.
9,	Harry M. Fames,	Andover,	July 9, 1853,	Andover,	Wool Sorter,	1857.
10,	Albert S. Manning,	Andover,	Feb. 2, 1846,	No. Andover,	Merchant,	1858.
11,	William A. Butler,	Georgetown,	Feb. 4, 1859,	Newbury,	Lawyer,	1858.
12,	Edward P. Shaw,	Newburyport,	Sept. 1, 1841,	Newburyport,	Gen'l Manager Horse R'y Co.,	1851.
13,	Luther Dame,	Newbury,	Mar. 3, 1826,	Kittery, Me.,	Real Estate,	1858.
14,	Caleb J. Norwood,	Hamilton,	Aug. 14, 1838,	Rockport,	Farmer and Ishinglass Mfg.,	1858.
15,	George Dennis,	Gloucester,	Sept. 3, 1825,	Gloucester,	Fish Dealer,	1857.
16,	Cyrus Story,	Gloucester,	Aug. 18, 1822,	Gloucester,	Trader,	1855.
17,	Wm. Howe Burnham,	Essex,	April 8, 1840,	Essex,	Farmer,	1858.
18,	Henry Friend,	Gloucester,	May 10, 1841,	Gloucester,	Fishing Business,	1855.
19,	William D. Sohler,	Beverly,	Oct. 22, 1858,	Roston,	Lawyer,	1858.
20,	Francis T. Berry,	Salem,	Aug. 18, 1849,	Salem,	Grocer,	1846.
21,	Samuel L. Gracey,	Salem,	Sept. 8, 1835,	Philadelphia, Pa.,	Clergyman,	1858.
22,	Charles H. Symonds,	Salem,	Aug. 25, 1857,	Salem,	Lawyer,	1857.
23,	Francis Boardman,	Marblehead,	April 26, 1826,	Marblehead,	Baker,	1857.
24,	James H. Richards,	Lynn,	Sept. 1, 1839,	Lynn,	Shoe Cutter,	1877.
25,	Daniel P. Stimpson,	Swampscott,	Oct. 11, 1818,	Townsend,	Real Estate and Ins.,	1858.
26,	James P. Martin,	Lynn,	Jan. 26, 1827,	Charlestown,	Retired,	1858.
27,	Elihu B. Hayes,	Lynn,	April 26, 1848,	W. Lebanon, Me.,	Newsdealer,	1858.
28,	Joseph L. Towne,	Lynn,	May 19, 1861,	Topsfield,	Apothecary,	1858.
29,	Arthur B. Breed,	Lynn,	June 30, 1857,	Lynn,	Grocer,	1857.

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Essex Co. — Con.						
No. 20,	John Driscoll,	Lynn,	Oct. 31, 1853,	Barnstead, Eng.,	Shoemaker,	1888.
21,	Horace H. Atherton,	Saugus,	Oct. 23, 1847,	Saugus,	Bookkeeper,	1888.
22,	B. Frank Southwick,	Peabody,	July 5, 1835,	Lyndeboro', N.H.,	Produce,	1888.
	Ansel P. Tyler,	Middleton,	Feb. 2, 1839,	Stoneham,	Manufacturer,	1888.
FRANKLIN COUNTY.						
No. 1,	Freeman C. Griswold,	Greenfield,	Dec. 15, 1858,	Greenfield,	Lawyer,	1888.
2,	Franklin L. Waters,	Orange,	June 14, 1829,	Champlain, N.Y.,	Mechanic,	1887.
3,	Joseph F. Bartlett,	Montague,	July 25, 1843,	Ware,	Paper-hangings,	1879.
4,	Henry C. Haskell,	Deerfield,	Oct. 25, 1837,	Wendell,	Farmer,	1886.
5,	Albert H. Temple,	Colrain,	June 11, 1832,	Troy, N.Y.,	Mason,	1888.
HAMPDEN COUNTY.						
No. 1,	Charles H. Knox,	Chester,	April 6, 1847,	Chester,	Selectman,	1883.
2,	William Provin,	Westfield,	Feb. 14, 1842,	Sullivan, Pa.,	Whip Manufacturer,	1886.
3,	Charles F. Shepard,	Westfield,	Nov. 10, 1827,	Westfield,	Whip Manufacturer,	1888.
4,	Reuben Winchester,	Holyoke,	Jan. 7, 1825,	Marlboro', Vt.,	Farmer,	1888.
5,	Jeremiah J. Keane,	Holyoke,	May 26, 1855,	New York City,	Bricklayer,	1886.
6,	George W. Gibson,	Chicopee,	Aug. 15, 1851,	Malone, N.Y.,	Grocer,	1888.
7,	William F. Ferry,	Springfield,	July 4, 1854,	Springfield,	Livery Stable,	1888.
8,	Ethan C. Robinson,	Springfield,	May 6, 1839,	Brattleboro', Vt.,	Groceries and Crock'ry,	1888.
9,	A. Olin Brooks,	Springfield,	April 23, 1852,	Stafford, Conn.,	Grocer,	1888.
10,	Charles A. Call,	Springfield,	June 3, 1839,	Springfield,	Merchant,	1888.
	Henry H. Bennett,	Springfield,	Mar. 11, 1843,	Wrentham,	Farmer,	1888.
	Henry Clark,	Wilbraham,	Oct. 21, 1811,	Wilbraham,	Hay, Grain, etc.,	1888.
	Charles F. Grosvenor,	Ludlow,	Aug. 16, 1850,	Rehoboth,		1888.

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HAMPSHIRE COUNTY.									
No. 1,	.	John B. Bottum, .	Northampton, .	July 7, 1852,	Northampton, .	Lawyer, .	1886,		
2,	.	Henry A. Kimball, .	Northampton, .	May 3, 1842,	Windham, Conn., .	Coal Merchant, .	1888.		
3,	.	Schuyler Clark, .	Huntington, .	Aug. 15, 1841,	Coeymans, N. Y., .	Lawyer, .	1888.		
4,	.	Wilson Dewey, .	Williamsburg, .	July 1, 1815,	Granby, Conn., .	Retired, .	1888.		
5,	.	Payson W. Lyman, .	Belchertown, .	Feb. 28, 1842,	Easthampton, .	Clergyman, .	1888.		
	.	Calvin Hitchcock, .	Ware, .	Mar. 22, 1817,	Ilomer, N. Y., .	General Merchandise, .	1888.		
MIDDLESEX COUNTY.									
No. 1,	.	John Read, .	Cambridge, .	May 19, 1840,	Cambridge, .	Merchant, .	1888.		
	.	Chester F. Sanger, .	Cambridge, .	Dec. 22, 1858,	Somerville, .	Lawyer, .	1888.		
2,	.	John W. Wilkinson, .	Cambridge, .	Oct. 26, 1832,	Rochester, N. Y., .	Piano Maker, .	1873.		
	.	George Close, .	Cambridge, .	Jan. 27, 1845,	Stratford, Eng., .	Confecioner, .	1888.		
3,	.	John W. Coveney, .	Cambridge, .	April 10, 1845,	East Cambridge, .	Undertaker, .	1888.		
	.	Isaac S. Pear, .	Cambridge, .	Nov. 9, 1830,	Charlestown, .	Furniture Manufactu'r, .	1887.		
4,	.	Moses D. Church, .	Cambridge, .	April 3, 1842,	Orleans Co., Vt., .	Physician, .	1888.		
	.	Samuel Cutler, .	Somerville, .	Aug. 27, 1825,	Townsend, Vt., .	Cotton & Cotton Waste, .	1887.		
5,	.	Francis H. Raymond, .	Somerville, .	Feb. 19, 1836,	Charlestown, .	Treasurer, .	1888.		
6,	.	Irving L. Russell, .	Somerville, .	May 24, 1852,	Somerville, .	Market Gardener, .	1888.		
7,	.	Theodore P. Dresser, .	Medford, .	May 30, 1854,	Haverhill, .	Manufacturer, .	1887.		
8,	.	William A. Wilde, .	Malden, .	July 11, 1827,	Acton, .	Publisher, .	1887.		
	.	Daniel L. Milliken, .	Malden, .	Sept. 21, 1837,	Walpole, N. H., .	Editor, .	1887.		
9,	.	Joseph H. Cannell, .	Everett, .	Feb. 24, 1836,	Cambridge, .	Real Estate and Ins., .	1888.		
	.	William E. Barrett, .	Melrose, .	Dec. 29, 1858,	Melrose, .	Editor, .	1888.		
10,	.	James E. Whitcher, .	Stoneham, .	Nov. 29, 1847,	Renton, N. H., .	Grocer, .	1887.		
11,	.	Charles F. Woodward, .	Wakefield, .	Nov. 19, 1852,	Wakefield, .	Manufacturer, .	1887.		
12,	.	Montressor T. Allen, .	Woburn, .	May 20, 1844,	Woburn, .	Lawyer, .	1888.		
13,	.	Horace G. Wadlin, .	Reading, .	Oct. 2, 1852,	Wakefield, .	Architect, .	1884.		
14,	.	Samuel W. McCall, .	Winchester, .	Feb. 28, 1851,	Ray's Hill, Pa., .	Lawyer, .	1888.		
15,	.	Charles Q. Pierce, .	Watertown, .	Jan. 25, 1841,	West Boylston, .	Shoe Manufacturer, .	1888.		

Districts.	REPRESENTATIVES.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Occupation.	1st Year in Leg.
MIDDLESEX Co.— <i>Con.</i>						
No. 17, . . .	Arthur C. Walworth,	Newton,	April 29, 1844,	Boston,	Manufacturer,	1887.
18, . . .	Winfield S. Slocum,	Newton,	May 1, 1848,	Grafton, Vt.,	Lawyer,	1888.
19, . . .	Erskine Warden,	Waltham,	Feb. 20, 1839,	Barnet, Vt.,	Grocer,	1885.
20, . . .	Samuel O. Upham,	Waltham,	Jan. 21, 1824,	Waltham,	Life Insurance,	1855.
21, . . .	Edwin H. Blake,	Bedford,	Nov. 2, 1838,	Boston,	Real Estate and Ins.,	1888.
22, . . .	George W. Trull,	Tewksbury,	June 7, 1849,	Tewksbury,	Farmer,	1887.
23, . . .	Thomas J. Flynn,	Lowell,	Feb. 5, 1849,	Ireland,	Victualler,	1887.
24, . . .	Francis W. Qua,	Lowell,	Sept. 2, 1845,	Lisbon, N. Y.,	Lawyer,	1888.
25, . . .	Peter J. Brady,	Lowell,	Oct. 20, 1861,	Lowell,	Grocery Clerk,	1886.
26, . . .	Charles E. Adams,	Lowell,	April 6, 1841,	Lowell,	Merchant,	1887.
27, . . .	George F. Morey,	Lowell,	Jan. 20, 1826,	Windsor, Vt.,	Wholesale Com. Merchant,	1887.
28, . . .	Solomon K. Dexter,	Lowell,	May 28, 1839,	W. Topsham, Vt.,	Provisions,	1887.
29, . . .	Albert G. Thompson,	Lowell,	Oct. 2, 1853,	So. Berwick, Me.,	Shoemaker,	1888.
30, . . .	David H. Clark,	Natick,	Oct. 24, 1836,	Quebec,	Machine Edge Trim'r,	1887.
31, . . .	Dennis J. O'Brien,	Hopkinton,	Dec. 7, 1845,	Ireland,	Contract'r and Build'r,	1887.
32, . . .	William H. Hastings,	Frammingham,	Oct. 15, 1840,	Frammingham,	Physician,	1888.
33, . . .	Charles E. Spring,	Holliston,	Nov. 19, 1812,	Grafton, Vt.,	Farmer,	1888.
34, . . .	Arthur A. Brigham,	Marlborough,	Oct. 6, 1856,	Marlborough,	Farmer,	1888.
35, . . .	Thomas F. O'Neill,	Sudbury,	Nov. 5, 1839,	Concord,	Farmer,	1888.
36, . . .	Alvin D. Russell,	Maynard,	Oct. 26, 1849,	Marlboro', N. H.,	Ag't Co-operative Store,	1885.
37, . . .	Arthur Wright,	Westford,	Aug. 24, 1837,	Westford,	Merchant,	1888.
38, . . .	Benjamin H. Hartwell,	Ayer,	Feb. 27, 1845,	Acton,	Physician,	1888.
NANTUCKET COUNTY.						
No. 1, . . .	Henry Riddell,	Nantucket,	May 18, 1818,	Nantucket,	Photographer,	1888.

DISTRICTS.	REPRESENTATIVES.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Native Place.	Occupation.	1st Year in Leg.
SUFFOLK COUNTY.						
No. 1.	Charles T. Witt.	East Boston.	July 18, 1848,	Norway, Me.,	Milk Business,	1888.
.	Clarence P. Lovell,	East Boston.	June 21, 1848,	Boston.	Ship Broker,	1888.
2.	Patrick J. Kennedy,	East Boston.	Jan. 8, 1858,	Boston.	Trader,	1886.
.	Thomas O. McEnaney,	East Boston.	Oct. 23, 1857,	East Boston,	Clothing Cutter,	1888.
3.	John E. Hayes,	Charlestown.	Mar. 6, 1845,	Boston.	Liquor Dealer,	1883.
.	John W. O'Neil,	Charlestown.	Sept. 21, 1859,	Charlestown,	Painter,	1888.
4.	William H. Preble,	Charlestown.	Aug. 11, 1836,	Charlestown,	Lawyer,	1888.
.	Joseph H. Gleason,	Charlestown.	April 9, 1847,	Charlestown,	Dry Goods,	1887.
5.	Patrick J. Calnan,	Charlestown.	Nov. 25, 1847,	Roxbury,	Shoe Stock Manufact'r,	1887.
.	Edward Gagan,	Charlestown.	Dec. 24, 1849,	Boston.	Liquor Dealer,	1888.
6.	Harvey N. Collison,	Boston.	Mar. 22, 1860,	Boston.	Lawyer,	1887.
.	Edward J. Flynn,	Boston.	June 16, 1859,	Boston.	Lawyer,	1885.
7.	Thomas G. Farren,	Boston.	Mar. 20, 1858,	Boston.	Grocer,	1887.
.	John Doherty,	Boston.	- 1846,	Ireland,	Liquor Dealer,	1887.
8.	Edward J. Donovan,	Boston.	Mar. 15, 1864,	Boston.	Bookkeeper,	1887.
.	Harrison H. Atwood,	Boston.	Aug. 26, 1863,	No. Londonderry, Vt.,	Architect,	1887.
9.	William O. Armstrong,	Boston.	Mar. 10, 1847,	Oberlin, Ohio,	Porter,	1887.
.	Henry Parkman,	Boston.	May 28, 1850,	Boston.	Lawyer,	1886.
10.	Jacob Fottler,	Boston.	Aug. 19, 1859,	Boston.	Produce,	1888.
.	Edward P. Fisk,	Boston.	Jan. 25, 1852,	Boston.	Merchant,	1886.
11.	William F. Wharton,	Boston.	June 28, 1847,	Jamaica Plain,	Lawyer,	1885.
.	Andrews Blume,	Boston.	Dec. 8, 1837,	Germany,	Lawyer,	1884.
12.	Donald J. Quinn,	Boston.	June 2, 1861,	Boston,	Clerk,	1884.
.	Philip H. Quinn,	Boston.	Mar. 11, 1858,	Boston,	Clerk,	1886.

13.	Thomas F. Sullivan.	South Boston.	Mar. —, 1862.	Fitchville, Conn.	Cigar Manufacturer.	1886.
	Edward J. Leary.	South Boston.	May 27, 1860.	Boston.	Music Composer.	1888.
14.	David J. Haggerty.	South Boston.	Jun. 1, 1857.	Boston.	Lawyer.	1887.
	Charles J. Noyes.	South Boston.	Aug. 7, 1841.	Haverhill.	Lawyer.	1866.
15.	Michael Garity.	South Boston.	Aug. 7, 1848.	Ireland.	Trader.	1887.
	Frank F. Woods.	South Boston.	Oct. 3, 1855.	Boston.	Machinist.	1888.
16.	Jeremiah Desmond.	Boston.	May 2, 1853.	Boston.	Brass Worker.	1885.
	James Donovan.	Boston.	May 28, 1859.	Boston.	Grocer.	1884.
17.	Alpheus Sanford.	Boston.	July 5, 1856.	N. Attleborough.	Lawyer.	1888.
	John W. O'Mealey.	Boston.	June 25, 1861.	Boston.	Druggist.	1888.
18.	Henry Frost.	Boston.	Mar. 3, 1834.	Benningt'n, N.H.	Lawyer.	1887.
	Thomas L. Noonan.	Boston.	May 18, 1832.	Quebec.	Silk Manufacturer.	1888.
19.	Michael J. McEttrick.	Boston.	June 22, 1836.	Halifax, N. S.	Cigar Maker.	1887.
	John H. McDonough.	Boston.	Dec. 24, 1859.	Roxbury.	Boots and Shoes.	1888.
20.	M. Everett Ware.	Boston.	June 22, 1846.	Boston.	Civil Engineer.	1885.
	John Backus.	Boston.	Mar. 29, 1857.	Portland, Me.	Watchmaker.	1886.
21.	James J. Dunlea.	Boston.	Aug. 4, 1841.	Boston.	Merchant.	1887.
	Daniel Gunn.	Boston.	July 15, 1830.	Tariffville, Conn.	Bookseller.	1886.
22.	Edward W. Brewer.	Boston.	June 22, 1857.	Roxbury.	Telephone Inspector.	1887.
	John F. Brown.	Boston.	Oct. 19, 1858.	Nova Scotia.	Label Manufacturer.	1886.
23.	William T. Leach.	Dorchester.	Mar. 20, 1848.	West Roxbury.	Lawyer.	1888.
	James A. Hathaway.	Dorchester.	Sept. 2, 1838.	Douglas.	Lawyer.	1887.
24.	Arthur B. Champlin.	Brighton.	Feb. 7, 1858.	Manchester.	Grocer.	1887.
	William S. Hixon.	Chelsea.	Nov. 3, 1848.	Freetown.	Cattle Broker.	1886.
25.	Lynnan M. Miller.	Chelsea.	April 1, 1836.	Chelsea.	Publisher.	1887.
	David Floyd, 2d.	Winthrop.	Oct. 26, 1854.	Cornwall, N. Y.	Soap Stone Manufact'r.	1888.
26.				Worcester.	Varnish.	1887.
27.				Winthrop.	Real Estate.	1887.

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WORCESTER COUNTY.						
No. 1.	Sidney P. Smith, ¹	Athol.	July 13, 1850.	Princeton, Ill.,	Lawyer.	1887.
2.	Charles W. Conant,	Gardner.	Sept. 16, 1839.	Gardner.	Manufacturer.	1888.
3.	Nathaniel R. Perkins,	Winchendon.	Sept. 10, 1847.	Plainville, Vt.,	Physician.	1888.
4.	Albert L. Wiley.	Hardwick.	Dec. 14, 1835.	Hope, Me.,	Machinist.	1888.
5.	S. Dwight Simonds,	Westminster.	Feb. 4, 1846.	Athol.	Bookkeeper.	1888.
6.	George H. Coolidge,	W. Brookfield.	Jan. 3, 1841.	North Brookfield.	Merchant.	1888.
7.	Henry D. Haynes,	Sturbridge.	Feb. 7, 1837.	Sturbridge.	Carriage Manufact'r.	1888.
8.	Luther Hill.	Spencer.	Nov. 22, 1825.	Spencer.	Lawyer.	1863.
9.	Charles Haggerty,	Southbridge.	Dec. 6, 1854.	Newburg, N. Y.,	Lawyer.	1887.
10.	John J. Allen,	Auburn.	Nov. 28, 1844.	Millbury.	Farmer.	1888.
11.	Samuel N. Rogers,	Millbury.	June 4, 1840.	Springfield, Vt.,	Woollen Manufact'r.	1888.
12.	Rowse R. Clarke, ²	Northbridge.	Feb. 12, 1822.	So. Kingston, R. I.	Physician.	1888.
13.	Davis P. Gray, ²	Northbridge.	Sept. 5, 1827.	Easton.	Supt. Foundry.	1871.
14.	James Lally, Jr.,	Millford.	April 2, 1862.	Millford.	Shoemaker.	1887.
15.	Thomas McCoey,	Blackstone.	April 26, 1851.	Blackstone.	Loom Fixer.	1888.
16.	J. Henry Robinson,	Southborough.	Feb. 9, 1831.	Surry, N. H.,	Physician.	1888.
17.	Albert L. Fisher,	Grafton.	Mar. 10, 1846.	Grafton.	Merchant.	1888.
18.	Frank E. Holman,	Clinton.	Aug. 8, 1853.	Clinton.	Hardware Merchant.	1888.
19.	Harrison E. Morton,	W. Boylston.	April 4, 1842.	Oxford, Me.,	Boot & Shoe Manufact'r.	1887.
20.	Morrill A. Greenwood,	Leominster.	Dec. 22, 1839.	Hubbardston.	Boot and Shoe Dealer.	1887.
21.	John W. Kimball,	Fitchburg.	Feb. 27, 1828.	Fitchburg.	Real Estate.	1864.
22.	Horace M. Kendall,	Fitchburg.	June 6, 1843.	Dunstable.	Machinist.	1888.
23.	Joseph P. Cheney, Jr.,	Worcester.	July 29, 1843.	Jamaica Plain,	Grocer.	1888.
24.	Alfred S. Pinkerton,	Worcester.	Mar. 19, 1856.	Lancaster, Pa.,	Lawyer.	1887.
25.	Peter T. Carroll.	Worcester.	Jan. 23, 1857.	Hopkinton.	Lawyer.	1888.

19, . . .	James H. Mellen,	Worcester,	Nov. 7, 1845,	Worcester,	Editor,	1877.
20, . . .	James M. Cronin,	Worcester,	Nov. 9, 1857,	Worcester,	Carpenter Weaver,	1888.
21, . . .	John W. Plaisted,	Worcester,	April 3, 1828,	Bridgeton, Me.,	Merchant,	1888.
22, . . .	David Manning, Jr.,	Worcester,	Aug. 29, 1846,	Paxton,	Lawyer,	1888.
23, . . .	William A. Gile,	Worcester,	Jan. 5, 1843,	Franklin, N. H.,	Lawyer,	1887.

1 Resigned May 29, 1888. 2 Died Saturday, February 4. 3 Elected to fill vacancy. Qualified Friday, March 9.

OFFICERS OF THE HOUSE.

NAME AND OFFICE.	Residence.	Date of Birth.	Occupation.	1st Year in Office.
Edward A. McLaughlin, <i>Clerk</i> ,	Boston,	Sept. 25, 1853,	Lawyer,	1883.
James W. Kimball, <i>Assistant Clerk</i> ,	Lynn,	Dec. 17, 1858,	Printer,	1888.
John G. B. Adams, <i>Sergeant-at-Arms</i> ,	Lynn,	Oct. 6, 1841,	-	1886.
Rev. Daniel W. Waldron, <i>Chaplain</i> ,	Boston,	-	Clergyman,	1879.

[No. 2.]

RULES AND ORDERS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

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1. The Speaker shall take the chair at the hour to which the House stands adjourned, call the members to order, and, on the appearance of a quorum, proceed to business.
2. He shall preserve decorum and order; may speak to points of order in preference to other members; and shall decide all questions of order, subject to an appeal to the House.
 [With regard to appeals, see Rules 82 and 93.]

3. He shall declare all votes, subject to verification as hereinafter provided.

[See Rules 64 to 68.]

4. In all cases he may vote.

5. He shall rise to put a question, or to address the House, but may read sitting.

6. He shall each day examine the journal of the House.

7. He may name a member to perform the duties of the chair for a period not exceeding two days at one time.

8. In case of a vacancy in the office of Speaker, or in case the Speaker or the member named by him in accordance with the preceding rule is absent at the hour to which the House stands adjourned, the senior member present shall call the House to order, and shall preside until a Speaker *pro tempore* or a Speaker is elected by ballot, which shall be the first business in order.

[Amended Feb. 5, 1886.]

MONITORS.

9. Two monitors shall be appointed by the Speaker for each division of the House, whose duty it shall be to see to the due observance of the Rules and, on request of the Speaker, to return the number of votes and members in their respective divisions.

10. If a member transgress any of the Rules after being notified thereof by a monitor, it shall be the duty of such monitor to report the case to the House.

[See Rule 20.]

CLERK.

11. The Clerk shall keep the journal of the House. He shall enter therein a record of each day's proceedings, and submit it to the Speaker before the hour fixed for the next sitting and shall cause the same to be printed daily.

[Amended Jan. 16, 1888.]

12. Every question of order shall be noted in the journal, and, with the decision, shall be entered at large in an appendix, which shall also contain the Rules of the House, and of the two branches.

13. The Clerk shall prepare and cause to be printed each day a calendar of matters in order for consideration; a list of matters lying on the table; and such other memoranda as the House or the Speaker may direct.

[Amended Jan. 16, 1888.]

14. Any objection to the calendar shall be made and disposed of before the House votes to proceed to the consideration of the Orders of the Day.

15. The Clerk shall retain bills and other papers, in reference to which any member has a right to move a reconsideration (except petitions, enacted bills, orders of inquiry, and orders of notice), until the right of reconsideration has expired : *provided*, that the operation of this rule shall be suspended during the last week of the session.

MEMBERS.

16. No member shall stand up, to the inconvenience of others, while a member is speaking ; or pass unnecessarily between the Speaker of the House and the member speaking ; or stand in the passages, or in the area in front of the chair.

17. No member shall be absent more than two days without leave of the House.

18. No member shall absent himself from the House without leave, unless there be a quorum without his presence.

19. Papers in possession of a member obtaining leave of absence, or at the end of the session, shall be left by him with the Clerk.

20. If a member is guilty of a breach of any of the Rules, he may be required by the House, on motion, to make satisfaction therefor ; and, until he has done so, he shall not be allowed to vote or speak, except by way of excuse.

[See Rule 10.]

COMMITTEES.

21. At the beginning of the political year, standing committees shall be appointed as follows : —

A committee on the Judiciary ;

A committee on Probate and Insolvency ;

A committee on Finance ;

(to consist of nine members each).

A committee on Elections ;

A committee on County Estimates ;

A committee on Rules ;

(to consist of seven members each).

A committee on Bills in the Third Reading ;

A committee on Engrossed Bills ;

A committee on Pay-Roll ;

A committee on Leave of Absence ;

• (to consist of three members each).

[Amended Jan. 7, 1881 ; Jan. 10, 1883 ; Jan. 8, 1886.]

22. Unless other provision is made in any case all committees shall be appointed by the Speaker, and the member first named shall be chairman.

23. In case of the election of a committee by ballot, the member having the highest number of votes shall be chairman.

24. No member shall be required to be on more than two committees at the same time, nor chairman of more than one.

25. No member shall serve on any committee in any question where his private right is immediately concerned, distinct from the public interest.

26. The committee on Finance shall report, in appropriation bills, only such items of expenditure as are authorized by law, or such as the committee has been directed by the House to insert.

27. The committee on Bills in the Third Reading shall examine and correct the bills which are referred to it, for the purpose of avoiding repetitions and unconstitutional provisions, insuring accuracy in the text and references, and consistency with the language of existing statutes: *provided*, that any change in the sense or legal effect, or any material change in construction, shall be reported to the House as an amendment.

[Amended Jan. 15, 1880.]

28. The committee on Engrossed Bills shall carefully examine and compare engrossed bills, and report them rightly and truly engrossed, when found to be so, without delay.

29. When the object of an application, whether by petition, order, or bill introduced on leave, can be secured without a special act under existing laws, or without detriment to the public interests, by a general law, the committee to which the matter is referred shall report such general law, or leave to withdraw, inexpedient to legislate, or ought not to pass, as the case may be.

[Amended Jan. 15, 1880.]

30. No bill or resolve affecting the rights of individuals, or of private or municipal corporations, otherwise than as it affects generally the people of the whole Commonwealth, shall be reported by a committee, unless it is made to appear to the satisfaction of the committee that notice has been given, by

public advertisement or otherwise, to all parties interested, without expense to the Commonwealth; or unless evidence satisfactory to the committee is produced that the parties interested have in writing waived notice.

[Adopted Jan. 26, 1881.]

31. On or before the second Wednesday in March, committees shall make final report upon matters referred to them prior to that day, unless further time is granted, for cause.

[Amended Feb. 15, 1883.]

Committee of the Whole.

32. When the House determines to go into a committee of the whole, the chairman shall be appointed by the Speaker.

33. The Rules of the House shall be observed in a committee of the whole, so far as they may be applicable, except the rules limiting debate. A motion to rise, report progress, and ask leave to sit again, shall be always first in order and be decided without debate.

REGULAR COURSE OF PROCEEDINGS.

Petitions, etc., and Reports of Committees.

34. Petitions, memorials, remonstrances, and papers of a like nature, and reports of committees, shall be presented before the House proceeds to the consideration of the Orders of the Day, and the Speaker shall call for such papers.

35. The member presenting a petition, memorial, or remonstrance, shall indorse his name thereon, with a brief statement of the nature and object of the paper; and the reading thereof shall be dispensed with, unless specially ordered.

Papers from the Senate.

36. Papers from the Senate shall be laid before the House by the Speaker, and received for action conformably to such of these rules as are applicable thereto, before the House proceeds to the consideration of the Orders of the Day.

Papers addressed to the House, not Petitions.

37. Papers addressed to the House, or the General Court, other than petitions, memorials, and remonstrances, or those received from the Senate, may be presented by the Speaker or by a member in his place, and shall be read, unless it is specially ordered that the reading be dispensed with.

Orders of Inquiry.

38. All motions contemplating legislation, when not founded upon petition, or upon bill proposed to be introduced on leave, shall be made in the form of an order of inquiry, which shall indicate the nature of the legislation proposed; and if reference be made to any particular law, for amendment or otherwise, the order shall specify the chapter and section, as well as the subject to which it relates.

Postponement to the Next Day on Request of a Member.

39. The consideration of any order proposed for adoption, or of any request for leave to introduce a bill, shall be postponed without question to the day after that on which the order is proposed or request made, if any member asks such postponement.

Bills and Resolves. [See Rule 94.]

40. Bills shall be fairly written in a legible hand, without material erasure or interlineation, on not less than one sheet of paper, with suitable margins and spaces between the several sections; dates and numbers being written in words at length. Bills amending existing laws shall not provide for striking words from, or inserting words in, such laws, unless such course is best calculated to show clearly the subject and nature of the amendment. No repealed law, and no part of any repealed law, shall be re-enacted by reference merely.

[Amended Jan. 15, 1880.]

41. If a committee to whom a bill is referred report that the same ought not to pass, the question shall be "Shall this bill be rejected?" If the question on rejection is negatived, the bill, if it has been read but once, shall go to a second reading without question; otherwise it shall be placed in the orders for the next day, pending the question on ordering to a third reading, or engrossment, as the case may be.

[Amended Jan. 10, 1883.]

42. Bills involving an expenditure of public money, or grant of public property, shall, after their first reading, be referred to the committee on Finance, for report on their relation to the finances of the Commonwealth.

[Amended Jan. 24, 1887.]

43. Bills from the Senate, after their first reading, shall be

referred to a committee of the House, unless they were reported to the Senate by a joint committee.

44. Amendments, proposed by the Senate, and sent back to the House for concurrence, shall be referred to the committee which reported the measure proposed to be amended, unless such committee is composed of members of both branches. In which case such amendments shall be placed in the Orders of the Day for the next day.

[Amended April 9, 1878.]

45. No bill shall be proposed or introduced unless received from the Senate, reported by a committee, or moved as an amendment to the report of a committee: *provided*, that the House may grant special leave to a member to introduce a bill; but, when leave is asked for the introduction of a bill, it shall be read for information before the question is put on granting leave; and, if leave is granted, it shall be committed before it is ordered to a second reading.

46. Bills, resolves, and other papers that have been, or, under the Rules or usage of the House, are to be printed, shall be read by their titles only, unless the full reading is requested.

[Adopted Jan. 10, 1883.]

47. No bill affecting directly the legal rights of individuals or corporations, otherwise than as it affects generally the interests of the whole people of the Commonwealth or of the cities or towns to which it specifically applies, shall be proposed or introduced, by amendment or otherwise, except by report of a committee, upon petition duly presented and referred, or as a substitute for such report. Objection to the violation of this rule may be taken at any stage prior to the third reading of the bill.

[Amended Jan. 15, 1880; also Jan. 10, 1883.]

48. When a bill, order, petition, memorial, or remonstrance has been finally rejected, no measure substantially the same shall be introduced by any committee or member during the same session.

[Amended April 26, 1877.]

49. Bills in their third reading shall be referred to the committee on Bills in the Third Reading for examination, correction and report.

[See Rule 27.]

50. No bill shall pass to be engrossed without having been read on three several days.

51. Engrossed bills shall be referred to the committee on Engrossed Bills for examination, comparison and report.

[See Rule 28.]

52. No engrossed bill shall be amended.

53. Engrossed bills, reported by the committee on Engrossed Bills to be rightly and truly engrossed, shall be put upon their passage to be enacted; and engrossed resolves, when so reported, shall be put upon their passage without further reading, unless specially ordered.

54. No engrossed bill shall be sent to the Senate without notice thereof being given by the Speaker.

Orders of the Day.

55. Bills from the Senate, after their first reading, when not referred to a committee of the House, bills favorably reported to the House by committees, and bills the question of the rejection of which is negatived, shall be placed in the orders for the next day, and if they have been read but once, shall go to a second reading without question.

[Amended Jan. 10, 1883; Feb. 5, 1886.]

56. Reports of committees not by bill or resolve shall be placed in the orders of the next day after that on which they are received from the Senate, or made to the House, as the case may be: *provided*, that the report of a committee asking to be discharged from the further consideration of a subject, and recommending that it be referred to another committee, shall be immediately considered.

[Amended Jan. 15, 1880.]

57. Bills ordered to a third reading shall be placed in the orders of the next day for such reading.

58. After entering upon the consideration of the Orders of the Day, the House shall proceed with them in regular course, as follows: Matters not giving rise to a motion or debate shall first be disposed of in the order in which they stand in the calendar; after which the matters that were passed over shall be considered in like order and disposed of.

59. When the House does not finish the consideration of the Orders of the Day, those which had not been acted upon shall be the orders for the next and each succeeding day until disposed of, and shall be entered in the calendar, without change in their order, to precede matters added under Rules

fifty-five, fifty-six and fifty-seven. The unfinished business in which the House was engaged at the time of adjournment shall have the preference in the orders of the next day, after motions to reconsider.

Special Rules affecting the Course of Proceedings.

[For postponement of Order, etc., to the next day, on request of a member, see Rule 39.]

60. No matter which has been duly placed in the Orders of the Day shall be discharged therefrom, or considered out of the regular course.

61. If, under the operation of the previous question, or otherwise, an amendment is made at the second or third reading of a bill substantially changing the greater part of such bill, the question shall not be put forthwith on ordering the bill to a third reading or to be engrossed (as the case may be), but the bill, as amended, shall be placed in the orders of the next day after that on which the amendment is made, and shall then be open to further amendment before such question is put. In like manner, when, under the operation of the previous question or otherwise, an amendment is made in any proposition of such a nature as to change its character, as from a bill to an order, or the like, the proposition as amended shall be placed in the orders of the next day after that on which the amendment was made.

VOTING.

62. No member shall vote in any question where his private right is immediately concerned, distinct from the public interest.

63. Members desiring to be excused from voting shall make application to that effect before the division of the House or the taking of the yeas and nays is begun. Such application may be accompanied by a brief statement of reasons by the member making it, but shall be decided without debate, and shall not be subject to the provisions of Rule sixty-seven.

[Amended Jan. 8, 1877; Feb. 5, 1886.]

64. When a question is put, the sense of the House shall be taken by the voices of the members, and the Speaker shall first announce the vote as it appears to him by the sound.

65. If the Speaker is unable to decide by the sound of the voices, or if his announcement made thereupon is doubted by a member rising in his place for that purpose, the Speaker shall

order a return by divisions of the number voting in the affirmative and in the negative, without further debate upon the question.

[For duty of monitors in case of a division, see Rule 9.]

66. When a return by divisions is ordered, the members for or against the question, when called on by the Speaker, shall rise in their places, and stand until they are counted.

67. The sense of the House shall be taken by yeas and nays whenever required by thirty of the members present. When the yeas and nays are taken, the roll of the House shall be called in alphabetical order, and no member shall be allowed to vote who was not on the floor before the vote is declared. If, before such time, a member states to the House that he has paired with another member, and how each would vote upon the pending question, the fact shall be entered on the journal immediately after the record of the yeas and nays, and such member shall be excused from voting.

[Amended Jan. 4, 1878; also April 2, 1878; also April 1, 1879.]

68. The call for the yeas and nays shall be decided without debate. If the yeas and nays have been ordered before the question is put, the proceedings under Rules sixty-four, sixty-five and sixty-six shall be omitted; if not, they may be called for in lieu of a return by divisions when the Speaker's announcement is doubted by a member rising in his place, and, if then ordered, the proceedings under Rules sixty-five and sixty-six shall be omitted.

Reconsideration.

69. When a vote has passed (except as provided in the next rule), it shall be in order for any member to move the reconsideration thereof on the same or the succeeding day, and such motion, if made on the same day, shall (except in the last week of the session) be placed first in the orders of the next day after that on which it is made; but, if first moved on such succeeding day, it shall be forthwith considered: *provided, however*, that a motion to reconsider a vote upon any incidental or subsidiary question shall not remove the main subject under consideration from before the House, but shall be considered at the time when it is made.

70. When a motion for reconsideration is decided, that decision shall not be reconsidered, and no question shall be

twice reconsidered; nor shall any vote be reconsidered upon either of the following motions:—

- to adjourn,
- to lay on the table,
- to take from the table; or,
- for the previous question.

71. Debate on motions to reconsider shall be limited to thirty minutes, and no member shall occupy more than five minutes; but this rule shall not apply to a motion to reconsider a vote upon an amendment.

[Amended Feb. 5, 1886.]

[For rule requiring the Clerk to retain papers, except, etc., until the right of consideration has expired, see Rule 15]

RULES OF DEBATE.

72. Every member, when about to speak, shall rise and respectfully address the Speaker; shall confine himself to the question under debate, and avoid personality; and shall sit down when he has finished. No member shall speak out of his place without leave of the Speaker.

73. When two or more members rise at the same time the Speaker shall name the member entitled to the floor, preferring one who rises in his place to one who does not.

74. No member shall interrupt another while speaking, except by rising to call to order.

75. No member shall speak more than once to the prevention of those who have not spoken and desire to speak on the same question.

Motions.

76. Every motion shall be reduced to writing, if the Speaker so directs.

77. A motion need not be seconded, and may be withdrawn by the mover if no objection is made.

78. A motion to adjourn shall be always first in order, and shall be decided without debate; and on the motions to lay on the table, to take from the table, to commit or recommit, not exceeding ten minutes shall be allowed for debate; and no member shall speak more than three minutes.

[Amended Feb. 19, 1878; and Jan. 26, 1880.]

[For application to be excused from voting, to be decided without debate, see Rule 63.]

[For call for yeas and nays, to be decided without debate, see Rule 68.]

[For questions of order, arising after the previous question is moved, to be decided without debate, except on appeal, see Rule 82.]

79. When a question is before the House, until it is disposed of the Speaker shall receive no motion that does not relate to the same, except the motion to adjourn, or some other motion that has precedence either by express rule of the House, or because it is privileged in its nature; and he shall receive no motion relating to the same, except, —

to lay on the table,	See Rule 78.
for the previous question,	See Rules 80-85.
to close the debate at a specified time,	See Rules 84, 85.
to postpone to a time certain,	See Rule 86.
to commit (or recommit),	See Rules 78 and 87.
to amend,	See Rules 88-91.
to refer to the next General Court,	
or to postpone indefinitely,	See Rule 92.

which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they are arranged in this rule.

Previous Question.

80. The previous question shall be put in the following form: "*Shall the main question be now put?*" — and all debate upon the main question shall be suspended until the previous question is decided.

81. On the previous question, not exceeding ten minutes shall be allowed for debate, and that only to give reasons why the main question should not be put; and no member shall speak more than three minutes.

82. All questions of order arising after a motion is made for the previous question shall be decided without debate, excepting on appeal; and on such appeal no member shall speak more than once without leave of the House.

[See Rule 93.]

83. The adoption of the previous question shall put an end to all debate except as provided in Rule eighty-five, and bring the House to a direct vote upon pending amendments, if any, in their regular order, and then upon the main question.

Motion to close Debate at a Specified Time.

84. Debate may be closed at any time not less than thirty minutes from the adoption of a motion to that effect. On this motion, not exceeding ten minutes shall be allowed for debate, and no member shall speak more than three minutes. In case

the time is extended by unanimous consent, the same rule shall apply at the end of the extended time as at the time originally fixed.

[Amended Jan. 8, 1877; and Jan. 15, 1880.]

[See the next Rule.]

When Debate is closed, Ten Minutes allowed, etc.

85. When debate is closed by ordering the previous question, or by a vote to close debate at a specified time, the member in charge of the measure under consideration shall be allowed to speak ten minutes, and may grant to any other member any portion of his time. When the measure under consideration has been referred to the committee on Finance, under House Rule forty-two, the member originally reporting it shall be considered in charge, except where the report of the committee on Finance is substantially different from that referred to them, in which case the member originally reporting the measure, and the member of the Finance Committee reporting thereon, shall each be allowed to speak five minutes, the latter to have the close.

[Amended March 28, 1877.]

Motion to postpone to a Time Certain.

86. When a motion is made to postpone to a time certain, and different times are proposed, the question shall first be taken on the most remote time; and the time shall be determined before the question is put on postponement, which may then be rejected if the House see fit.

Motion to commit.

87. When a motion is made to commit, and different committees are proposed, the question shall be taken in the following order: —

a standing committee of the House,

a select committee of the House,

a joint standing committee,

a joint select committee;

and a subject may be recommitted to the same committee or to another committee at the pleasure of the House.

Motions to amend.

88. A motion to amend an amendment may be received: but no amendment in the third degree shall be allowed.

89. No motion or proposition of a subject different from that under consideration shall be admitted under color of amendment.

90. A question containing two or more propositions capable of division shall be divided whenever desired by any member. When a motion to strike out and insert is thus divided, the failure of the motion to strike out shall not preclude amendment; or, if the motion to strike out prevails, the matter proposed to be inserted shall be open to amendment before the question is taken on inserting it.

91. In filling blanks, the largest sum and longest time shall be put first.

Equivalent for Motion to postpone Indefinitely.

92. A motion to strike out the enacting clause of a bill shall be equivalent to a motion to postpone indefinitely.

APPEAL.

93. No appeal from the decision of the Speaker shall be entertained unless it is seconded; and no other business shall be in order until the question on the appeal has been disposed of.

[See Rule 82.]

RESOLVES.

94. Such of these Rules as are applicable to bills, whether of the House or of the Senate, shall apply likewise to such resolves as required the concurrence of the Senate and approval by the Governor, in order to become laws and have force as such. Except in Rule fifty-three, the word "bill" shall be equivalent to the word "resolve" in the same place.

ELECTIONS BY BALLOT.

95. A time shall be assigned for elections by ballot, at least one day previous thereto.

SECRET SESSION.

96. All proceedings in secret session, and matters relating thereto, shall be kept secret until the House removes the injunction of secrecy.

SEATS.

97. (1.) The desk on the right of the Speaker shall be assigned to the use of the Clerk and such persons as he may employ to assist him, and that on the left to the use of the Chairmen of the committees on Bills in the Third Reading and on Engrossed Bills.

(2.) The senior member of the House, and the oldest member of the House who is not the senior member, shall be allowed to select their seats from those not otherwise assigned, before the drawing of seats by the members.

[Amended Jan. 7, 1878.]

(3.) The seat numbered 34, in the first division, shall be assigned to the use of the Chairman of the committee on the Judiciary; that numbered 15, in the sixth division, to the use of the Chairman of the committee on Finance; that numbered 52, in the first division, to the use of the Chairman of the committee on Probate and Insolvency; and that numbered 39, in the sixth division, to the use of the Chairman of the committee on Railroads on the part of the House.

[Amended Jan. 7, 1878; also Jan. 6, 1882.]

(4.) The following seats shall be assigned to the use of the monitors:—

- Those numbered 8 and 11, in the first division;
- 100 and 104, in the second division;
- 96 and 99, in the third division;
- 92 and 95, in the fourth division;
- 87 and 91, in the fifth division; and
- 4 and 7, in the sixth division.

[Amended Jan. 6, 1882.]

(5.) The first business in order, after the appointment of standing committees and monitors is announced by the Speaker, shall be the drawing of the other seats upon the floor of the House.

(6.) The Clerk shall call the roll of the members in alphabetical order, omitting the names of the Speaker, the senior member, the oldest member, the chairmen of committees hereinbefore mentioned, and the monitors; and the drawing shall be had in presence of the House, under the supervision of a committee of three selected from the members mentioned in this paragraph.

(7.) The seat assigned to any member, or drawn by him,

shall be his seat for the year, unless an exchange is made and notice thereof given to the Sergeant-at-Arms within five days from the day of the drawing.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR.

98. (1.) Every member shall have the privilege of introducing upon the floor of the House, to occupy (for that day) any seat then vacant not belonging to a member, or belonging to a member who is absent, not more than one person at the same time, such person not having any private interest in any measure before the Legislature distinct from the public interest: *provided*, that in any case, when by the exercise of this privilege on the part of some of the members the vacant seats have been filled, and the Speaker so announces, the further exercise of the privilege shall be suspended for that day, or until one or more of the seats thus filled are vacated.

(2.) The Speaker may also invite visitors, without limit of number, to seats (not numbered) upon the floor of the House.
[Amended Feb. 5, 1886.]

(3.) Contestants for seats in the House, whose papers are in the hands of the committee on Elections, may be admitted, while their cases are pending, to seats to be assigned by the Speaker.

(4.) Senators, and the principal officers* in the Executive and Judicial departments of the Civil Government of the Commonwealth, the Chaplains of both Houses, and the Clerk of the Senate, shall be admitted to the floor whenever they may have occasion to visit the House, and may occupy any of the seats not numbered which they may find vacant, or any seats which may be assigned by the Speaker for their use for the time being.

REPRESENTATIVES' CHAMBER.

99. Use of the Representatives' Chamber shall not be granted, except by a vote of four-fifths of the members present.

PARLIAMENTARY PRACTICE.

100. The rules or parliamentary practice shall govern the House in all cases to which they are applicable, and in which they are not inconsistent with these Rules, or the Joint Rules of the two branches.

* See list in the Blue Book.

SUSPENSION, AMENDMENT AND REPEAL.

101. Nothing in these Rules shall be dispensed with, altered, or repealed, unless two-thirds of the members present consent thereto; but this rule, and Rules thirty-nine, forty-nine, and ninety-nine, shall not be suspended, unless by unanimous consent of the members present.

Blanks for orders, bills, reports, petitions and indorsement of petitions, may be had on application to the Clerk, or at the document-room; and members are respectfully requested to use the same in the preparation of papers.

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COMMITTEES.

RULE 1. The following joint standing committees shall be appointed at the commencement of the January session, viz. :—

- A committee on Agriculture ;
- A committee on Banks and Banking ;
- A committee on Cities ;
- A committee on Drainage ;
- A committee on Education ;
- A committee on Labor ;
- A committee on Manufactures ;
- A committee on Mercantile Affairs ;
- A committee on Military Affairs ;
- A committee on Public Charitable Institutions ;
- A committee on Street Railways ;
- A committee on Water Supply ;

Each to consist of three members on the part of the Senate, and eight on the part of the House.

A committee on Election Laws ;

A committee on Federal Relations ;

A committee on Fisheries and Game ;

A committee on Harbors and Public Lands ;

A committee on Insurance ;

A committee on the Library ;

A committee on the Liquor Law ;

A committee on Parishes and Religious Societies ;

A committee on Printing ;

A committee on Prisons ;

A committee on Public Health ;

A committee on Public Service ;

A committee on Roads and Bridges ;

A committee on State House ;

A committee on Taxation ;

A committee on Towns ;

A committee on Woman Suffrage ;

Each to consist of two members on the part of the Senate, and seven on the part of the House.

A committee on Railroads, to consist of four on the part of the Senate, and eleven on the part of the House.

A committee on Expenditures, to consist of the committee on the Treasury of the Senate, and the committee on Finance of the House.

A committee on Expediting Legislative Business, to consist of the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House, and two members on the part of the Senate, and seven on the part of the House.

The committees of the two branches, on the Judiciary, on Probate and Insolvency, and on Rules, may sit respectively as joint committees for the consideration of such matters as may be referred to them. [Amended Jan. 6, 1882 ; Jan. 5, 1883 ; Jan. 7, 1884 ; Jan. 8, 1885 ; Jan. 26, 1885 ; Jan. 8, 1886 ; Jan. 12, 1887, and Jan. 9, 1888.]

RULE 2. No member of either branch shall act as counsel for any party before any committee of the Legislature.

RULE 3. Joint committees may report by bill, resolve, or otherwise, to either branch, at their discretion, having reference to an equal distribution of business between the two

branches, except that money bills shall be reported to the House; and, except that when a report is made from any committee to either branch, and the subject-matter thereof is subsequently referred therein to a joint committee, such committee shall report its action to the branch in which the original report was made. [See also next rule.]

RULE 4. Reports of joint committees may be recommitted to the same committees at the pleasure of the branch first acting thereon, and bills or resolves may be recommitted in either branch. A concurrent vote shall, however, be necessary for the recommitment of such reports, bills, or resolves, with instructions. After recommitment, report shall, in all cases, be made to the branch originating the recommitment.

RULE 5. Bills and resolves reported by joint committees shall be fairly written in a legible hand, without material erasure or interlineation, on not less than one sheet of paper, with suitable margins, and spaces between the several sections, dates and numbers being written in words at length.

RULE 6. Whenever, upon any application for an act of incorporation or other special legislation, the purpose for which such legislation is sought can be secured without detriment to the public interests by a general law or under existing laws, the committee to which the matter is referred shall report *such* general law, or "leave to withdraw," or "inexpedient to legislate."

Notice to Parties Interested.

RULE 7. No bill or resolve affecting the rights of individuals, or of private or municipal corporations, otherwise than as it affects generally the people of the whole Commonwealth, shall be reported by a committee, unless it is made to appear to the satisfaction of the committee that notice has been given, by public advertisement or otherwise, to all parties interested, without expense to the Commonwealth; or unless evidence satisfactory to the committee is produced that the parties interested have in writing waived notice.

Printing and Distribution of Documents.

RULE 8. The committee on Printing may make regulations for the distribution of all documents printed or assigned for the use of the Legislature not otherwise disposed of, such regu-

lations to be reported to and subject to the order of the two branches.

Under the general order to print a report, bill or other document, the number printed shall be nine hundred.

Leave to report in print shall not be construed to authorize the printing of extended reports of evidence.

Bills, reports, and other documents, printed under the general order of either branch, shall be distributed as follows, to wit: Two copies to each member of the Senate and House of Representatives (to be placed on his file, under the direction of the Sergeant-at-Arms, if desired by the member); three copies to each clerk in either branch, and three copies to each reporter in regular attendance, to whom a seat has been assigned in either branch; twenty copies to the Executive; twenty copies to the Secretary's office; six copies to the State Library; and, when the document is the report of a committee, ten copies shall be assigned to the committee making the report. The Sergeant-at-Arms shall preserve as many as may be necessary for the permanent files to be placed in the lobbies, and distribute the remainder under such regulations as may be prescribed by said joint committee. [Amended Jan. 8, 1886.]

Limit of Time allowed for Reports of Committees.

RULE 9. Joint committees shall make final report upon all matters previously referred to them, on or before the second Wednesday in March, unless further time is granted for cause.

Committees of Conference.

RULE 10. Committees of Conference shall consist of three members on the part of each branch, representing its vote; and their report, if agreed to by a majority of each committee, shall be made to the branch asking the conference, and may be either accepted or rejected; but no other action shall be had, except through a new committee of Conference.

INTRODUCTION OF BUSINESS.

RULE 11. No bill or resolve affecting directly the legal rights of individuals or corporations, otherwise than as it affects generally the interests of the people of the whole Commonwealth, or of the cities or towns to which it specifically

applies, shall be proposed or introduced, by amendment or otherwise, except by report of a committee, upon petition duly presented and referred, or as a substitute for such report. Objection to the violation of this rule may be taken at any stage prior to that of the third reading.

Limit of Time allowed for New Business.

RULE 12. Petitions, memorials, applications, and all other subjects of legislation, except reports required to be made to the Legislature, proposed or introduced after the first Wednesday of February, shall be referred to the next General Court. This rule shall not be rescinded, amended, or suspended, except by a concurrent vote of four-fifths of the members of each branch present and voting thereon.

Duties of the Clerks.

RULE 13. If any part of the report of a committee, over the signature of the chairman or members of the committee, is amended in either branch, the Clerk of that branch shall endorse upon the report such amendment.

RULE 14. All papers, while on their passage between the two branches, may be under the signature of the respective Clerks, except bills and resolves in their last stage. Messages may be sent by such persons as each branch may direct.

RULE 15. After bills have passed both branches to be engrossed, they shall be in the charge of the Clerks of the two branches, who shall deliver the same to the Secretary of the Commonwealth, to be engrossed in the manner prescribed by law; and when engrossed the said Clerks shall forthwith deliver the same to the committee of the House of Representatives on Engrossed Bills; and when the same have passed to be enacted in that House, they shall, in like manner, be delivered to the committee of the Senate on Engrossed Bills.

RULE 16. If any petition, memorial, bill, resolve, or order, presented or originating in one branch, is adversely acted upon in the other, notice thereof shall be given, under the signature of the Clerk, to the branch in which the same originated.

RULE 17. The Clerk of the branch in which a bill originated shall make an endorsement thereon, certifying in which branch the same originated, which endorsement shall be entered on the journals by the Clerks respectively.

After said bills have passed both branches to be enacted, the Clerk of the Senate shall lay them before the Governor for his approbation, and shall enter upon the journal of the Senate the day on which the same were laid before the Governor.

RULE 18. All resolves and other papers which are to be presented to the Governor for his approbation, shall be laid before him in the same manner as is prescribed in the case of bills.

Constitutional Amendments.

RULE 19. All resolves proposing amendments of the Constitution shall have three several readings in each branch, and the final question upon agreeing to the same shall be taken by yeas and nays.

JOINT CONVENTIONS.

RULE 20. The President of the Senate shall preside in conventions of the two branches, and such conventions shall be holden in the Representatives' Chamber; the Clerk of the Senate shall be Clerk of the convention, and a record of the proceedings of the convention shall be entered at large on the journals of both branches.

RULE 21. When an agreement has been made by the two branches to go into convention, such agreement shall not be altered or annulled, except by concurrent vote.

RULE 22. No business shall be entered on, in convention, other than that which may be agreed on before the convention is formed.

Joint Elections.

RULE 23. In all elections by joint ballot a time shall be assigned therefor at least one day previous to such election.

Elections of United States Senators.

RULE 24. The joint assembly required to be held by the Statutes of the United States, relating to the elections for Senators in Congress, shall be deemed a convention of the two branches, and the proceedings therein shall be in accordance with the provisions of said Statutes. The President of the convention shall receive no motion on any day until one vote for Senator has been taken. After one vote for Senator has been taken, no motion shall be in order except a motion to

adjourn, for a recess, or to proceed to vote for Senator ; and these motions shall have precedence in the order of their arrangement, and shall be decided without debate. If a motion is made for a recess, and different times are proposed, the question shall first be taken on the most remote time ; and the time shall be determined, but without debate, before the question is put upon taking the recess. On either of the questions permitted by this rule, the sense of the convention shall be taken by yeas and nays, whenever required by one-fifth of the members present. When the yeas and nays are taken, the roll of the convention shall be called in alphabetical order ; and no member shall be allowed to vote who was not on the floor when his name was called, or before the roll-call was finished. The call for the yeas and nays shall be decided without debate.

RULE 25. Any joint rule, except the twelfth, may be altered, suspended, or rescinded, two-thirds of the members present in each branch consenting thereto.

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QUESTIONS OF ORDER.

[The figures in the following paragraphs refer to the page of the journal on which the question and decision are entered.]

That pending the question on concurring in the suspension of the 12th joint rule on a petition, no motion is in order until that question is determined. [260.]

That a substitute bill occupies the position of and must be treated as an amendment. [281, 462.]

That after a bill has been substituted for a report of a committee it is too late to raise the objection that the bill is broader in its scope than the subject-matter of the order considered by the committee. [281, 462.]

That a bill to prohibit the imposition of fines or deductions of wages of employees engaged at weaving does not affect the legal rights of individuals otherwise than it affects generally the interests of the whole Commonwealth, and need not be founded upon a petition. [464, 476.]

That legislation specially affecting the legal rights of a corporation must be asked for by a petition. [479.]

That amendments broader in their scope than the subject-matter on which a report is based are not in order. [535, 575, 676, 715, 828.]

That the acceptance of a report of a committee, no legislation necessary, made subsequently to measures reported by the same committee and sought to be controlled thereby, is not a bar to the consideration of the measures so previously reported and pending before the House. [549, 584.]

That it is immaterial as a question of order that the findings of a committee are different from the conclusions of a report of a commission upon which the bill is reported. [670-676.]

That a bill may be reported upon a report of a commission ordered to investigate a subject, although such report omits to recommend legislation, provided the findings of such commission, in the opinion of the committee, warrant such legislation. [670-676.]

That a bill to prevent deception in the manufacture and sale of butter is not beyond the scope of an order directing the State Board of Health to investigate and report upon the healthfulness, as articles of food, of oleomargarine and butterine, and whether they are sold in compliance with existing laws. [670-676.]

That amendments proposing to change a bill general in its character to a special bill are not in order. [600.]

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[No. 5.]

THE OATH OF OFFICE.

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I, (repeating your name) , do solemnly swear that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and will support the Constitution thereof. *So help me, God.*

I, , do solemnly swear and affirm that I will faithfully and impartially discharge and perform all the duties incumbent upon me as a representative, according to the best of my abilities and understanding, agreeably to the rules and regulations of the Constitution and laws of this Commonwealth. *So help me, God.*

I, , do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States. *So help me, God.*

AFFIRMATION.

I, (repeating your name) , do solemnly affirm that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and will support the Constitution thereof. *This I do under the pains and penalties of perjury.*

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- Biennial elections,** Order relative to amending the Constitution so as to provide for, and biennial sessions of the Legislature, 49; petition (S.) to provide for an amendment to the Constitution providing for, of State officers, 38; resolves (S. reported) providing for, of State officers and members of the General Court, 369, 377, 384, 432; rejected, 443.
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- Births and deaths, recording of.** (See "Burial Permits.")
- Births, marriages and deaths, and returns of medical examiners,** So much of the forty-fifth registration report as relates to, 25; report (S. no legislation necessary) accepted, 610.
- Black duck, pursuing of, in Plymouth harbor.** (See "Plymouth Harbor.")
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- Boards of Health, Order relative to the furnishing of blanks by, for physicians for returns of contagious diseases,** 55; report (inexpedient), 218; accepted, 226.
- BONDS:**
- Exemption of municipal, from taxation. (See "Taxation.")
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- BOSTON AND ALBANY RAILROAD:**
- Petition of the mayor of Cambridge for such legislation as will remedy the nuisance now existing by reason of the tracks of the, crossing the streets of said city at grade, 27. (See "Cambridge, City of.")
- Petition (S.) of the city of Springfield relative to the use of a street in said city by the, 190; report (leave to withdraw) accepted, 381.
- BOSTON AND PROVIDENCE RAILROAD CORPORATION:**
- Petition of the, for authority to lease its railroad franchises to the Old Colony Railroad Company, 27; bill reported, 147, 192, 207, 221; enacted, 261.
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Boston and Suburban Elevated Railway Company, Petition for an act of incorporation as the. (See "Elevated Railroads.")

Boston Bar Association, Petition of, in relation to the preparation of the list of Jurors of Boston. (See "Boston, City of.")

Boston Catholic Cemetery Association, Petition of lot owners in the, asking for legislation relating to the management of said association, 136; report (leave to withdraw), 545, 555, 590, 613, 635, 679; accepted, 683.

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Order relative to repealing the law relative to the division of the, into twelve aldermanic districts, and providing that the aldermen of said city be elected at large, 31; report (inexpedient); 218; accepted, 226.

Petition (S.) of the board of aldermen of the, for an act to consolidate the Board of Health with the city registrar's department, 36; report (S. leave to withdraw), 146; accepted, 176.

Petition of the president of the common council of the, for such alteration of the statutes as shall transfer certain powers now exercised by the board of aldermen to the common council of said city, 53; report (S. leave to withdraw), 352; accepted, 365.

Petition of the mayor of the, for legislation exempting laborers in the, from the provisions of the civil service act, 54; report (leave to withdraw), 553, 574; accepted, 606.

Petition of the, for legislation requiring a daily session of one magistrate at each police station, for the disposition of all criminal cases, 54; report (leave to withdraw), 219; accepted, 522.

Petition of the mayor of the, for the establishment of municipal voting districts in, 63; report (S. leave to withdraw), 392; accepted, 405.

Petition of the mayor of the, for an amendment of the charter of the, increasing the number of members of the common council to seventy-four, 63; bill (S.) reported, 427, 442, 455; enacted, 483.

Petition (S.) for legislation to provide a salary for the several members of the board of aldermen of the, 63; bill (S.) reported, 610, 620, 633; enacted, 663.

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Order relative to requiring the registrars of voters in the, to post voting lists in at least three conspicuous places in every precinct of every ward of said city, 74; report (inexpedient), 261; accepted, 272.

Bill (on leave) relating to the appointment of railroad police and steamboat police in the, 86; report (reference to the next General Court), 802; accepted, 809.

Petition (S.) of the Boston Bar Association in relation to the preparation of the list of jurors in the, 96; bill (S.) reported, 330, 340, 348; enacted, 370.

Petition of Adeline Faxon and others for legislation authorizing the, to refund a portion of money paid as betterments on account of the Marine Park in said city, 114; bill reported, 692, 699, 706; enacted, 787.

Order relative to the appointment by the mayor of the, of a board of charity commissioners, who shall perform all the duties devolving upon the overseers of the poor, 124; petitions (S.) that the board shall consist of one or more women, 201, 217; report (S. inexpedient), 337; accepted, 347.

Petition for an increase of salary of officers of the municipal court for criminal business in the, 137; bill (S.) reported, 427, 464, 496; enacted, 507.

Petition of the common council of the, for such legislation as will secure a true and equitable valuation of the property of the citizens of said city by the assessors, 138; report (leave to withdraw), 636; accepted, 634.

Order relative to the establishment of a board of public works for the, 139; report (inexpedient), 570, 579, 635, 695, 696; accepted, 699, 705.

Order (S.) relative to the payment of salaries to members of the common council of the, 145; report (S. inexpedient), 312; accepted, 325.

Petition to allow the, to construct a tunnel from Boston proper to East Boston, 152; report (leave to withdraw), 665, 711; referred to next General Court, 785.

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Order relative to extending the jurisdiction and powers of constables in the, in the service of civil process, 168; report (inexpedient), 218; accepted, 234.

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Order (S.) relative to amending the law concerning the inspection and construction of buildings in the, 171; report (inexpedient), 538; accepted, 548.

Petition (S.) for an increase in the salaries of the officers of the municipal court of the, 173; report (S. leave to withdraw), 577; accepted, 595.

Order relative to the rates of fare, and the issuing of transfer checks on street railways in the, 186; report (S. inexpedient), 680; accepted, 699.

Petition for the regulation of fares on street railways in the, 156; report (S. leave to withdraw), 400, 413, 691, 715; bill (H.) substituted, 726, 730, 733; notice of rejection by the Senate, 757.

Petition (S.) of the Board of Park Commissioners of the, that said city be authorized to borrow, outside of its debt limits, 187; bill reported, 718, 725, 730, 795; enacted, 802.

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- Petition (S.) for legislation to prevent the earnings of the street railway companies of the, from being used for the improvement of any land company to the detriment of holders of preferred stock, 190; report (S. leave to withdraw), 680; accepted, 686.
- Petition (S.) of the, for the exemption from taxation of bonds issued by it, 190; report (leave to withdraw), 471; accepted, 485.
- Petition of the mayors of, and other cities for exemption from taxation of bonds. (See "Taxation.")
- Order (S.) relative to the extension of the police signal system in the, 193; bill (S.) reported, 749, 754, 768, 791, 807; enacted, 823.
- System of elevated railways for the. (See "Elevated Railroads.")
- Bill (S.) concerning the salary of the late Benjamin Cushing, a principal assessor of the, 260, 286, 294, 302; enacted, 324.
- Petition (S.) for legislation to provide for compensation to be paid to the commissioner appointed by the mayors of, and Cambridge, to construct and maintain a bridge over Charles River, 298; bill (S.) reported, 590, 612, 624, 655; enacted, 693.
- Petition of the overseers of the poor of the city of, for authority to hold additional funds, 618; bill (S.) reported, 703, 714, 719; enacted, 732.
- Order relative to the construction or inspection of buildings in the, or the means of escape therefrom, 625; bill reported, 708, 714, 733; enacted, 769.
- Petition (S.) of the, that said city be authorized to pay for certain expenses incurred by police officers in defending suits brought against them for acts done in the discharge of their duties, 666. (For bill reported see "Police Officers.")
- Bill (S.) relating to the laying out, alteration, discontinuance and repairs of highways in the, 778, 789, 793, 800; enacted, 803.
- Boston Elevated Railway Company**, Petition for incorporation as the. (See "Elevated Railroads.")
- Boston Heating Company**, Petition of the, for leave to increase its capital stock, 249, 255; bill (S.) reported, 590, 612, 621; enacted, 639.
- Boston Lying-in Hospital**, Petition (S.) of, for leave to hold additional real and personal estate, 106; bill reported, 241, 253, 273; enacted, 314.
- Boston Marine Park**. (See "Boston, City of.")
- Boston Public Library**, Petition relative to the appointment of the trustees of the, 122; report (S. leave to withdraw), 470; accepted, 485.
- Boston Real Estate Association**, Petition for incorporation as the, 113; bill reported, 313, 326, 334; enacted, 376.
- Boston, Revere Beach and Lynn Railroad Company**, Petition of the, for authority to take land, wharf and docks from Rowe's Wharf Corporation, 28; bill reported, 592, 603, 621; enacted, 667.
- Boston Suburban Land Company**, Petition (S.) for incorporation under the name of the, 118; bill reported, 313, 325, 343, 729, 738, 759; rejected, 760.
- Boston Tow Boat Company**, Petition of the, for authority to amend its charter, 91; bill (S.) reported, 249, 272, 280; enacted, 300.
- Boston Water Board**, Petition of, for legislation to protect the purity of the water supply of the city of Boston. (See "Boston, City of.")
- Boston Water Power Company**, Petition of the, for authority to purchase the land and assets of the Brookline Land Company, 153; report (S. leave to withdraw), 239; accepted, 253.

BOSTON, WINTHROP AND SHORE RAILROAD COMPANY:

Petition (S.) of the, for authority to sell a part of its road to any railroad corporation, 148; report (S. leave to withdraw), 609; accepted, 620.

Petition (S.) of the, for authority to abandon and relocate certain portions of its road in the town of Winthrop, 173; bill (S.) reported, 569, 581, 596; enacted, 632

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Bridgman and Smythe Company, Petition of the, for a change of name, 38; bill reported, 109, 119, 134; enacted, 206.

Brimfield, Petition for incorporation of the Hitchcock Free High School in, 34. (See "Hitchcock Free High School.")

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Petition of the clerk of the third district court of, for an increase of salary, 123; report (S. leave to withdraw), 284; accepted, 294.

Petition of Franklin Gray and Henry A. Thayer for extra compensation for services rendered by them as county commissioners of, during the erection of the House of Correction in New Bedford, 155; report (S. leave to withdraw), 353; accepted, 366.

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BROCKTON, CITY OF:

Petition of, for the passage of an act empowering said city to establish a system of drainage within its limits, 59; bill (S.) reported, 629, 640, 655; enacted, 705.

Petition that the sittings of the superior court of Plymouth County may be begun and holden at, with power of adjournment to Plymouth. (See "Plymouth County.")

Petition of the clerk of the police court of, for an increase of salary, 155; report (leave to withdraw), 363; accepted, 371.

Petition of the mayor of the, for exemption from taxation of bonds of cities and towns. (See "Taxation.")

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Petition (S.) for the confirmation of the acts done at the annual town meeting of the town of, held on Monday, April 2, 1888, 513; bill reported, 601, 612, 621; enacted, 667.

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Order relative to establishing a clerkship for the police court of, 38; bill reported, 75, 81, 90; enacted, 300.

Petition of the town of, for authority to increase its water supply and to raise money for that purpose, 114; bill reported, 314, 325, 334; enacted, 376.

Brookline Land Company, Petition of the Boston Water Power Company for authority to purchase the land and assets of the. (See "Boston Water Power Company.")

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Bill providing for the inspection in certain cases of, and other structures alleged to be unsafe or dangerous (reported on so much of the Governor's Address as relates to the district police), 724, 732, 793; enacted, 819.

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Resolve (S. on leave) providing for reprinting parts of the annual reports of the, 41, 64, 75, 81, 90; enacted, 196.

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Burial permits, Bill (on leave) in relation to, and records of deaths in cities, and the recording of births therein, 80; bill (S.) substituted relating to the certificates and registry of deaths, and to the burial and removal of bodies of deceased persons, 648, 662, 669; enacted, 693.

Burglary, Order relative to amending the law so as to provide a definite minimum penalty for, 31; order relative to amending the Statutes relating to, 125; bill reported, 251, 279, 288, 353, 367; enacted, 376.

Butter (see "Oleomargarine"), Report of the State Board of Health upon the manufacture and sale of oleomargarine and butterine, their healthfulness as articles of food, and also whether they are sold in compliance with existing laws, 539; bill (reported) to prevent deception in the manufacture and sale of, 564, 575, 596, 618, 670, 676, 678, 694, 715; notice of rejection by the Senate, 799.

Buzzard's Bay, Petition relative to the protection of the scallop fisheries at the head of, 152; bill reported, 338, 347, 358; bill (S. substituted), 458, 474, 525; enacted, 546.

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Call firemen, Petition relative to pensioning certain, of the fire department of the city of Boston. (See "Boston, City of.")

CAMBRIDGE, CITY OF:

Petition of the, for a readjustment of the boundary line between said city and Somerville, 27; report (reference to the next General Court), 601; accepted, 611.

Petition of the mayor of the, for such legislation as will remedy the nuisance now existing by reason of the tracks of the Boston and Albany Railroad crossing the streets of said city at grade, 27; remonstrance against the same, 230; report (leave to withdraw), 713, 795; accepted, 827.

Petition of the, for legislation to enable said city to appoint a board of registrars of voters, which shall not include the city clerk, 29; bill reported, 225, 253, 273; enacted, 315.

Petition (S.) of the, that Fresh Pond in said city may be ceded to it as a storage reservoir, and for authority to take lands around said pond for the protection thereof; also for authority to issue additional water bonds, 41; bill (S.) reported, 344, 357, 362, 372; enacted, 395.

Petition of the, for leave to extend its debt limit on account of the Harvard Bridge, 105; bill reported, 219, 253, 273; enacted, 314.

Order relative to the erection of an additional building in the, for the accommodation of the probate and insolvency courts and to give additional room for the registry of deeds, 130; bill reported, 211, 220, 281, 295, 420, 456, 475, 496; enacted, 555.

Petition (S.) of the, for the ratification and confirmation of the taking of lands by said city around and near Fresh Pond, 190; bill (S.) reported, 578, 595; rejected, 621.

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Cape Cod Bay, Petition (taken from the files of last year) of Thomas H. Bacon and others for authority to build a canal between the Atlantic Ocean or Nantucket Sound and, 145; report (leave to withdraw), 506; accepted, 516.

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Carroll, James B., Resolve (S.) to confirm the acts of, as a justice of the peace, 194, 219, 227, 236; passed, 262.

- Cary Library, Petition (S.) for the incorporation of the, 147; bill (S.) reported, 691, 699, 716, 726; enacted, 745.
- Cattle, Order (S.) relative to the extermination of tuberculosis among, 40; report (S. inexpedient), 233; accepted, 235.
- Cattle Commissioners, annual report of the, 74; report (no legislation necessary), 649; accepted, 661.
- Caucuses, illegal voting at. (See "Voting.")
- Cemeteries, Order relative to the management of, in towns, 62; report (no legislation necessary), 362; accepted, 371.
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- Central district court of Worcester. (See "Worcester County.")
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- Chamberlayne, Charles F., Petition of, for confirmation of his acts as a trial justice, 311, 330; report (leave to withdraw), 480; accepted, 494.
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- Charitable and educational associations, Petition (S.) of the Abraham Lincoln Post No. 11, G. A. R. Corporation, of Charlestown District, Boston, for authority to increase its capital stock, 97; bill (S. reported) relative to the stock of, 427, 442, 466; enacted, 483.
- Charitable associations. (See "Literary, Benevolent, Charitable and Scientific Associations.")
- Charlemont, Petition for an act of incorporation as the Village Improvement Association of, 151; bill (reported) to incorporate the Charlemont Rural Club, 499, 508, 525; enacted, 571.
- CHARLES RIVER:
- Petition for the widening of draws in certain bridges across, 112; bill reported, 482, 495, 501, 545; enacted, 664.
- Order relative to the appointment by the Governor of three commissioners to inquire into the use, cost and necessity of maintaining drawbridges over 166; bill reported, 579, 652, 702; rejected, 707.
- Sewage disposal of the Mystic and, valleys. (See "Drainage")
- Petition for legislation to provide compensation for a commission appointed by the mayors of Boston and Cambridge to construct and maintain a bridge across, 298; bill (S.) reported, 590, 612, 624, 655; enacted, 693.
- Charlton, agricultural society for, and other towns. (See "Oxford.")
- Chebacco River, planting of clams in and around the shores of, in Essex. (See "Clams.")
- Check lists, Order relative to preventing information being given or obtained from, while in use at any national, State or municipal election, 140; bill reported, 388, 416, 421, 465, 474; enacted, 523.
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- Petition for an act to confirm and make valid the sale of the property by the First Baptist Church of, 329; bill reported, 394, 405, 415; enacted, 472.
- Chelsea Safe Deposit and Trust Company, Petition (S.) for an act of incorporation as the, 187; bill reported, 833, 850; enacted, 861.
- Chestnut Hill Real Estate Association, Petition for an act of incorporation as the, of Marlborough, 44; bill reported, 199, 207, 212; enacted, 300.

Chicopee, Petition of Clara D. Lufkin for authority to appropriate to other uses an ancient burial place in, 59; bill reported, 370, 377, 385; enacted, 666.

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Order relative to the attendance of, at day or evening schools, 54; report (inexpedient), 704; accepted, 708.

Order relative to extending any provisions of law relating to the employment of, under fourteen years of age to, under sixteen years of age who cannot read or write in the English language, 55; report (inexpedient), 470; accepted, 484.

Report of the joint special committee of the General Court of 1887 on the employment and schooling of, 59, 66; bill (reported) relating to the employment of, 251, 278, 316, 380, 440, 489, 496, 523, 557, 665, 715; petition in aid, 752; bill enacted, 738.

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Order relative to permitting magistrates to provide for indigent and neglected, and of repealing the law requiring payment in certain cases for the maintenance of juvenile offenders, 68; bill (S.) reported, 545, 556, 566; enacted, 594.

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Cider vinegar, Order (S.) relative to the standard of, 185; report (inexpedient), 306; accepted, 315.

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City officials, Petition of the city of Lynn relative to requiring all fees pertaining to all departments of said city to be paid into the treasury, 408; bill (reported) to provide for the disposal of fees received by, 618, 633, 640; enacted, 708.

City, town and ward clerks, Order relative to the hour of meeting of, 159; report (inexpedient), 261; accepted, 272.

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Bill relative to the discharge of persons appointed under the civil service law (reported on so much of the report of the Board of Police of the city of Boston as relates to amendment of chapter 320, Acts of 1884), 666, 678, 695; enacted, 745.

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Petition for authority to license the planting of, in the town of Winthrop, 136; bill reported, 388, 405, 465; enacted, 522.

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Fogarty, Charles E., Petition of, of Battery B, Light Infantry, M. V. M., for compensation for injury received in discharge of actual military duty, 409; resolve (S.) reported, 505, 541, 548, 557; passed, 580.

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- Franklin County, Petition (S.) of the county commissioners of, for an increase of salary, 97; bill (S.) reported, 260, 272, 289; enacted, 307.
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- Hyde Park, Bill (on leave) to confirm the proceedings of a town meeting of the town of, 634, 651; enacted, 653.
- Hyde Park Street Railway Company, Petition of the, for authority to issue coupon or registered bonds and to secure the same by a mortgage on its road, franchise and property, 38; report (reference to the next General Court), 704, 716; accepted, 742.

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- Order (S.) relative to the investments of mutual life, 183; bill (S.) reported, 401, 414, 422; enacted, 461.
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Manufacturing, industrial and railway enterprises, Order relative to State aid for, 185; report inexpedient, 393; accepted, 405.

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Petition (S.) of the selectmen of, for authority to call a special meeting of the voters of said town to vote on the question of allowing discounts for the voluntary payment of taxes, 470; bill (S. reported), 635, 654, 663; enacted, 682.

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Petition for incorporation as the Chestnut Hill Real Estate Association of. (See "Chestnut Hill Real Estate Association.")

Petition for an increase of salary of the clerk of the police court of, 59; report (leave to withdraw), 312; accepted, 325.

Petition for legislation to enable the town to put in a sewerage system, 152; bill reported, 637, 654, 663; enacted, 719.

Marlborough Street Railway Company, Petition for an act of incorporation as the, 28; bill (S. reported), 380, 390, 406, 428; enacted, 461.

Marriages, Bill (S.) in relation to the solemnization of, 799, 842; rejected, 851.

Married women, Petition relative to legislation to improve the legal condition of, 106; report (leave to withdraw), 629, 640, 645, 664; accepted, 685.

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Twenty-fifth annual report of the, 433; resolve reported (in part), 546, 593, 604, 612; passed, 693; report (no further legislation necessary), 649; accepted, 661.

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Order (S.) relative to increasing the number of the Board of Control of the, 182; bill reported, 630, 640, 655, 717; enacted, 731.

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Massachusetts Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary, Petition of the, for an appropriation of \$15,000, 30; resolve reported, 220, 233, 243, 254; passed, 315.

Massachusetts College of Pharmacy, Petition of the president and secretary of the, for an amendment of the charter of said corporation relative to the election and duties of its officers, 59; bill reported, 270, 279, 288; enacted, 324.

Massachusetts District Police. (See "District Police.")

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Massachusetts General Hospital, Resolve (on leave) in favor of the, 57, 71, 76, 82; enacted, 175.

MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY :

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Petition of the, for leave to hold additional real and personal estate, 53; bill reported, 241, 253, 273; enacted, 315.

Massachusetts Live Stock Insurance Company, Petition (S.) for incorporation as the, 188; bill (reported) to incorporate the New England Live Stock Insurance Company, 482, 495, 501; enacted, 546.

Massachusetts Loan Association, Petition (S.) for an act of incorporation as the, 187; bill (reported) to incorporate the Washington Loan Association, 394, 465; rejected, 466.

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In relation to the officers of the, 618, 638, 654, 686; enacted, 745.

In relation to the release of prisoners from the, 650, 662, 678; enacted, 718.

Resolve (reported) to provide for the purchase of horses and cows for the, and for certain repairs at said institution, 652, 677, 682, 695; passed, 746.

So much of the report of the Commissioners of Prisons as relates to a water supply for the, 630; resolve (S.) reported, 859, 869; passed, 872.

Bill to provide for increasing the amount which may be advanced from the treasury for aiding prisoners discharged from the, and to provide for aiding prisoners removed therefrom (reported on so much of the report of the Commissioners of Prisons as relates to jails and houses of correction), 631, 651, 682; enacted, 731.

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Massachusetts State Firemen's Association, Petition (S.) of John E. Fitzgerald and others for an annual appropriation for the, to aid firemen injured while in discharge of their duties, 41, 64; petitions in aid, 78, 81, 83, 88, 91, 106, 108, 113, 118, 123, 132, 137, 147, 173, 181, 189, 193, 194, 198, 199, 202, 204, 208, 210, 214, 217, 222, 224, 229, 238, 240, 247, 250, 256, 260, 267, 269, 275, 277, 283, 285, 290, 296, 298, 304, 310, 321, 322, 329, 342, 344, 352, 372, 417, 449, 451, 458, 629; order (S.) relative to appropriating \$10,000 to be paid to the, 171; bill (S.), 807, 850, 867, 869; enacted, 871; notice from the Senate that the bill had failed to pass, 877.

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Massachusetts Volunteer Militia (see "Militia"), Order relative to providing the officers of companies C and G, Sixth Infantry, with uniforms and equipments, at the expense of the Commonwealth, to replace those recently destroyed by fire in their armory in Lowell, 49; resolve reported, 314, 326, 334; passed, 333.

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Mayall, Thomas J., Petition of, for authority to construct an elevated railroad in Boston. (See "Elevated Railroads.")

Maynard, Petition of the town of, for authority to supply its inhabitants with water, and to take the waters of White Pond, in the towns of Hudson and Stow, for that purpose, 29; remonstrance against, 577; bill reported, 752, 759, 768, 779, 786; enacted, 836.

McCabe, Barney, Petition of, for the payment of a bounty, 102; report (S. leave to withdraw), 322; accepted, 333.

McDevitt, John, Petition (S.) of, for the payment to him of a bounty, 189; report (S. leave to withdraw), 311; accepted, 325.

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Order (S.) relative to the employment of labor in, on legal holidays. (See "Labor.")

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Meteorological station, Petition of F. L. Capen and others for the establishment of a, 152; report (leave to withdraw), 681; accepted, 685.

Middleborough Fire District, Petition of the Water Commissioners of the, for authority to issue additional bonds, 67; bill reported, 232, 243, 273; enacted, 314.

Middle District, Order (S.) relative to the appointment of an assistant district-attorney for the, 145; bill (S.) reported, 387, 405, 415; enacted, 430.

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Order relative to increasing the salary of the sheriff of, 85; bill reported, 225, 253, 273; enacted, 332.

Petition of the clerk of the first district court of Southern, for an increase of salary, 138; report (S. inexpedient), 284; accepted, 294.

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Petition of E. W. Law for an increase of salary as clerk of the third district court of Eastern, 155; report (leave to withdraw), 439; accepted, 454.

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Petition (S.) that the salary of the clerk of the first district court of Northern, may be increased, 173; petition in aid, 211; bill reported, 452, 464, 486; enacted, 541.

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Middlesex Land Company, Petition (S.) for the incorporation of the, 420; bill (S.) reported, 521, 531, 574, 711; enacted, 732.

Middlesex, Norfolk and Worcester Counties, Petition (S.) relative to redistricting and redivision of, and the creation of four counties out of the same, 188; report (leave to withdraw), 514; accepted, 523.

Middlesex Safe Deposit and Trust Company, Petition (S.) for an act of incorporation as the, 187; bill reported, 833, 850; enacted, 861.

Milford and Woonsocket Railroad Company, Bill (S.) to confirm a deed of release from the Hopkinton Railroad Company to the, 538; bill reported, 638, 654, 663; enacted, 693.

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Order (S.) relative to creating a naval contingent in the, 419, 426; bill reported, 631, 677, 682, 715, 718; enacted, 769.

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Mount Hope Female Seminary, Petition for amendment to the act of incorporation of, 73; bill (S.) reported, 306, 315, 327; enacted, 356.

Mount Pleasant Cemetery Association, Petition for incorporation as the, 154; report (leave to withdraw), 394; accepted, 405.

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National Woman Suffrage Association of Massachusetts, Petition for an act of incorporation as the, 304; bill (S.) reported, 504, 524, 532; enacted, 555.

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Petition of the selectmen of the town of Wellesley, for legislation to enable them to supply the town of, with water, 739; bill (S.) reported, 798, 803, 809; enacted, 823.

Neponset River, Petition for the widening of Granite and Neponset bridges over, 28; bill reported, 571, 581, 595; enacted, 653.

New Bedford Board of Trade, Petition of the, for an act of incorporation, 703; bill reported, 713, 719, 726; enacted, 763.

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Petition of the Trinitarian Church in, for legislation confirming and ratifying certain proceedings of said church, and for authority to hold, purchase and receive by gift or otherwise real and personal estate, 426; bill (S.) reported, 521, 531, 542; enacted, 571.

Newburyport and Amesbury Street Railway, Petition of the, for legislation authorizing it to extend its tracks in the town of Merrimac and use other than horse power, 201; bill reported, 313, 325, 334; enacted, 376.

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Newburyport Society for the Relief of Aged Females, Petition of the, for authority to purchase, receive and hold by gift, grant, devise or otherwise, additional real and personal estate, 503; bill (S.) reported, 635, 654, 663; enacted, 682.

New England Historic-Genealogical Society, Petition (S.) of the, for leave to hold additional real and personal estate, 382; bill (S.) reported, 513, 524, 532; enacted, 525.

New England Industrial School for Deaf-Mutes, Petition of the trustees of the, for aid for said school, 155; resolve reported, 579, 637, 654, 663; passed, 770.

New England Live Stock Insurance Company, Petition for incorporation as the Massachusetts Live Stock Insurance Company, 188; bill reported to incorporate the, 482, 495, 501; enacted, 546.

New England Milk Producers' Union, Petition (S.) for the incorporation of the, 187; report (leave to withdraw), 636; accepted, 653.

New England Commercial Travellers' Association, Petition (taken from the Senate files of last year) of the, for authority to accumulate a reserve fund, 74; report (leave to withdraw), 649; accepted, 661.

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Petition of the Water Board of the, for authority to issue additional bonds, 67; bill reported, 251, 272, 280; enacted, 324.

Petition of the judge of the police court of, for an increase of salary, 106; report (leave to withdraw), 292; accepted, 301.

Order relative to revising and amending the charter of the, 139; petition for a revision and amendment of the city charter of the, 152; report (reference to the next General Court), 636; accepted, 653.

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